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Section I.

Instructions to Bidders (ITB)

ITB shall be read in conjunction with the Section II, Bidding Data Sheet (BDS), which shall take precedence over ITB.

General

- 1. ScopeofBid
- 1.1 The Purchaser indicated in the Bidding DataSheet (BDS), issues these Bidding Documents for the supply of Goods and Related Services incidental thereto as specified in Section V, Schedule of Requirements. The name and identification number of this procurement are specified in the BDS. The name, identification, and number of lots (individual contracts), if any, are provided in the BDS.
- 1.2 Throughout these BiddingDocuments:
 - (a) the term "in writing" means communicated in written form by mail (other than electronic mail) orhand delivered with proof ofreceipt;
 - (b) if the context so requires, "singular" means "plural" and vice versa; and
 - (c) "day" means calendarday.
- 2. Source of Funds
- 2.1 Payments under this contract will be financed by the source specified in the BDS.
- 3. Ethics, Fraud andCorruption
- 3.1 The attention of the bidders is drawn to the following guidelines of the Procurement Guidelines published by National ProcurementAgency:

Parties associated with Procurement Actions, namely, suppliers/contractors and officials shall ensure that they maintain strict confidentiality throughout the process;

Officials shall refrain from receiving any personal gain from any Procurement Action. No gifts or inducement shall be accepted. Suppliers/contractors are liable to be disqualified from the bidding process if found offering any gift or inducement which may have an effect of influencing a decision or impairing the objectivity of anofficial.

- 3.2 The Purchaser requires the bidders, suppliers, contractors, and consultants to observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of such contracts. In pursuit of thispolicy:
 - (a) "corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence the action of apublic

- official in the procurement process or in contract execution:
- (b) "fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation or omission of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of acontract;
- (c) "collusive practice" means a scheme or arrangement between two or more bidders, with or without the knowledge of the Purchaser to establish bid prices at artificial, noncompetitive levels; and
- (d) "coercive practice" means harming or threatening to harm, directly or indirectly, persons or their property to influence their participation in the procurement process or affect the execution of acontract.
- 3.3 If the Purchaser found any unethical practices as stipulated under ITB Clause 3.2, the Purchaser will reject a bid, if it is found that a Bidder directly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive or coercive practices in competing for the Contract inquestion.
- 4. EligibleBidders4.1 All bidders shall possess legal rights to supplythe Goods under this contract.
 - 4.2 A Bidder shall not have a conflict of interest. All bidders found to have conflict of interest shall be disqualified. Bidders may be considered to have a conflict of interest with one or more parties in this bidding process, ifthey:
 - (a) are or have been associated in the past, with a firm or any of its affiliates which have been engaged by the Purchaser to provide consulting services for the preparation of the design, specifications, and other documents to be used for the procurement of the goods to be purchased under these Bidding Documents; or
 - (b) submit more than one bid in this bidding process. However, this does not limit the participation of subcontractors in more than onebid.
 - 4.3 A Bidder that is under a declaration of ineligibility by the National Procurement Agency (NPA), at the date of submission of bids or at the date of contract award, shall be disqualified. The list of debarred firms is available at the website of NPA, www.npa.gov.lk.
 - 4.4 Foreign Bidder may submit a bid only if so stated in the in the BDS

- 5. Eligible Goods and Related Services
- 5.1 All goods supplied under this contract shall be complied with applicable standards stipulated by the Sri Lanka Standards Institute (SLSI). In the absence of such standards,theGoodssuppliedshallbecompliedtoother internationally accepted standards.

Contents of Bidding Documents

- 6. Sections of Bidding Documents
- 6.1 The Bidding Documents consist of 2 Volumes, which includeallthesections indicated below, and should be read in conjunction with any addendum issued in accordance With ITB Clause 8.

Volume 1

□ SectionI. Instructions to Bidders(ITB)
 □ SectionVI. Conditions of Contract(CC)
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Volume 2

□ SectionII. Bidding Data Sheet(BDS)
 □ SectionIII. Evaluation andQualification Criteria
 □ SectionIV. BiddingForms
 □ SectionV. Schedule ofRequirements
 □ SectionVII. Contract Data
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- 6.2 The Bidder is expected to examine all instructions, forms, terms, and specifications in the Bidding Documents. Failuretofurnishallinformationordocumentationrequired bytheBiddingDocumentsmayresultintherejectionofthe bid.
- 7. Clarification of **Bidding Documents**
- 7.1 A prospective Bidder requiring any clarification of the Bidding Documents including the restrictivenessof specifications shall contact the Purchaser in writing at the Purchaser's address specified in the BDS. The Purchaser will respond in writing to any request for clarification, providedthatsuchrequestisreceivednolaterthanten(10) days prior to the deadline for submission of bids. The Purchasershallforwardcopiesofitsresponsetoallthose whohavepurchasedtheBiddingDocuments,includinga description of the inquiry but without identifying its source. Should the Purchaser deem it necessary to amend the BiddingDocumentsasaresultofaclarification, itshalldo so following the procedure under ITB Clause 8.
- 8. Amendment of Bidding **Documents**
- 8.1 Atanytimepriortothedeadlineforsubmissionofbids, the PurchasermayamendtheBiddingDocumentsbyissuing addendum.
- 8.2 Any addendum issued shall be part of the Bidding Documentsandshallbecommunicatedinwritingtoallwho have purchased the Bidding Documents.
- 8.3 To give prospective Bidders reasonable time in which to takeanaddendumintoaccountinpreparingtheirbids.the Purchasermay, atits discretion, extend the deadline for the submission of bids, pursuant to ITB Sub-Clause 23.2

Preparation of Bids

- 9. Cost of Bidding
- 9.1 The Bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its bid, and the Purchaser shallnotberesponsibleorliableforthosecosts, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the bidding process.
- 10. Language of 10.1 The Bid, as well as all correspondence and documents relating to the Bid (including supporting documents and Bid printed literature) exchanged by the Bidder and the Purchaser, shall be written in English language.
- 11. Documents Comprising theBid
- 11.1 The Bid shall comprise thefollowing:
 - Bid Submission Form and the applicable Price (a) Schedules, in accordance with ITB Clauses 12, 14, and 15;
 - Bid Security orBid-SecuringDeclaration, (b) in

- accordance with ITB Clause 20:
- (c) documentary evidence in accordance with ITB Clauses 18 and 29, that the Goods and Related Services conform to the Bidding Documents:
- (d) documentary evidence in accordance with ITB Clause 18establishingtheBidder'squalificationstoperform the contract if its bid is accepted; and
- (e) any other document required in the BDS.
- Form and Price **Schedules**
- 12. Bid Submission 12.1 TheBiddershallsubmittheBidSubmissionFormusingthe form furnished in Section IV, Bidding Forms. This form mustbecompleted without any alteration stoits format, and nosubstitutesshallbeaccepted. Allblankspacesshallbe filled in with the information requested.
- 13. Alternative Bids 13.1 Alternative bids shall not be considered.
- 14. Bid Prices and Discounts
- 14.1 TheBiddershallindicateonthePriceScheduletheunitprices andtotalbidpricesofthegoodsitproposestosupplyunder the Contract.
- 14.2 Any discount offered against any single item in the price schedule shall be included in the unit price of the item. However, a Bidder wishes to offer discount as a lot the bidder may do so by indicating such amounts appropriately.
- 14.3lfsoindicatedinITBSub-Clause1.1.bidsarebeinginvited for individual contracts (lots) or for any combination of contracts (packages). Unless otherwise indicated in the BDS, prices quoted shall correspond to 100% of theitems specified for each lot and to 100% of the quantities specified for each item of a lot. Bidders wishing to offer anypricereduction(discount)fortheawardofmorethan one Contract shall specify the applicable price reduction separately...
- 14.4 (i)PricesindicatedonthePriceScheduleshallincludeall dutiesandsalesandothertaxesalreadypaidorpayable by the Supplier:
 - (a) on components and raw material used in the manufacture or assembly of goods quoted; or
 - on the previously imported goods of foreign origin
 - (ii) However, VAT shall not be included in the price but shall be indicated separately;

- (iii) the price for inland transportation, insurance and other related services to deliver the goods to their finaldestination:
- (iv) the price of other incidentalservices

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- 14.5 The Prices quoted by the Bidder shall be fixed during the Bidder's performance of the Contract and not subject to variation on any account. A bid submitted with an adjustable price quotation will be treated as non-responsive and rejected, pursuant to ITB Clause31.
- 14.6 All lots, if any, and items must be listed and priced separately in the Price Schedules. If a Price Schedule shows items listed but not priced, their prices shall be assumed to be included in the prices of otheritems.
- 15. Currencies of 15.1 Unless otherwise stated in Bidding Data Sheet, theBidder
 Bid shall quote in Sri Lankan Rupees and payment shall
 be payable only in Sri LankaRupees.
- 16. Documents
 Establishing
 the Eligibility of
 theBidder
- 16.1 To establish their eligibility in accordance with ITB Clause 4, Bidders shall complete the Bid Submission Form, included in Section IV, Bidding Forms.
- 17. Documents

 Establishing
 the Conformity
 of the Goods
 and Related
 Services
- 17.1 To establish the conformity of the Goods andRelated
 Services to the Bidding Documents, the Bidder shall furnish
 as part of its Bid the documentary evidence that the Goods
 conform to the technical specifications and standards
 specified in Section V, Schedule of Requirements.
 - 17.2 The documentary evidence may be in the form of literature, drawings or data, and shall consist of a detailed item by item description (given in Section V, Technical Specifications) of the essential technical and performance characteristics of the Goods and Related Services, demonstrating substantial responsiveness of the Goods and Related Services to the technical specification, and if applicable, a statement of deviations and exceptions to the provisions of the Schedule ofRequirements.
 - 17.3 The Bidder shall also furnish a list giving full particulars, including quantities, available sources and current prices of spare parts, special tools, etc., necessary for the proper and continuing functioning of the Goods during the period if specified in the BDS following commencement of the use of the goods by the Purchaser.

- 18. Documents
 Establishingthe
 Qualifications
 of the Bidder
- 18.1 The documentary evidence of the Bidder's qualifications to performthecontractifitsbidisacceptedshallestablishto the Purchaser's satisfaction:
 - (a) ABidderthatdoesnotmanufactureorproducethe Goods it offers to supply shall submit the Manufacturer'sAuthorizationusingtheformincludedin SectionIV,BiddingFormstodemonstratethatithas beendulyauthorizedbythemanufacturerorproducerof the Goods to supply theseGoods;
 - (b) that,ifrequiredintheBDS,incaseofaBiddernot doingbusinesswithinSriLanka,theBidderisorwill be(ifawardedthecontract)representedbyanAgent in Sri Lanka equipped and able to carry out the Supplier's maintenance, repair and spare partsstocking obligations prescribed in the Conditionsof Contract and/or Technical Specifications;and
 - (c) that the Bidder meets each of the qualification criterion specified in Section III, Evaluation and QualificationCriteria.
- 19. Periodof Validityof Bids
- 19.1BidsshallremainvaliduntilthedatespecifiedintheBDS.

 A bid valid for a shorter date shall be rejected bythe Purchaser as nonresponsive.
- 19.2Inexceptionalcircumstances, priortothe expiration of the bid validity date, the Purchaser may request bidders to extend the period of validity of their bids. The request and the responses shall be made in writing. If a Bid Security is requested in accordance with ITBC lause 20, it shall also be extended for a corresponding period. A Bidder may refuse the request without for feiting its Bid Security. A Bidder granting the requests hall not be required or permitted to modify its bid.
- 20. BidSecurity
- 20.1TheBiddershallfurnishaspartofitsbid,aBidSecurityor a Bid-Securing Declaration, as specified in the BDS.
- 20.2 The Bid Security shall be in the amount specified in the BDS and denominated in Sri Lanka Rupees, and shall:
 - (a) atthebidder'soption,beintheformofeitherabank draft,aletterofcredit,orabankguaranteefroma bankinginstitution;
 - (b) beissuedbyainstitutionacceptabletoPurchaser.The acceptable institutes are published in the NPA website, www.npa.gov.lk.
 - (c) besubstantiallyinaccordancewiththeformincluded

- in Section IV, Bidding Forms;
- (d) be payable promptly upon written demand by the Purchaser in case the conditions listed in ITB Clause 20.5 areinvoked;
- (e) be submitted in its original form; copies willnot beaccepted;
- (f) remain valid for the period specified in the BDS.
- 20.3 Any bid not accompanied by a substantially responsive Bid Security or Bid Securing Declaration in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 20.1 and 20.2, may be rejected by the Purchaser asnon-responsive.
- 20.4 The Bid Security of unsuccessful Bidders shall be returned as promptly as possible upon the successful Bidder's furnishing of the Performance Security pursuant to ITB Clause43.
- 20.5 The Bid Security may be forfeited or the BidSecuring Declaration executed:
 - (a) if a Bidder withdraws its bid during the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Bid Submission Form, except as provided in ITB Sub-Clause 19.2;or
 - (b) if a Bidder does not agreeing to correction of arithmetical errors in pursuant to ITB Sub-Clause30.3
 - (c) if the successful Bidder fails to:
 - (i) sign the Contract in accordance with ITB Clause 42;
 - (ii) furnish a Performance Securityin accordance with ITB Clause43.
- 21. Format and 21.1 The Bidder shall prepare one original of the documents Signing of Bid comprising the bid as described in ITB Clause 11 and clearly mark it as "ORIGINAL." In addition, the Bidder shall submit a copy of the bid and clearly mark it as "COPY." In the event of any discrepancy between the original and the copy, the original shall prevail.
 - 21.2 The original and the Copy of the bid shall be typed or writteninindelibleinkandshallbesignedbyapersonduly authorized to sign on behalf of the Bidder.
 - 21.3 Anyinterlineations, erasures, or overwriting shall be valid

only if they are signed or initialed by the person signing the Bid.

Submission and Opening of Bids

- 22. Submission, Sealing and Marking of Bids
- 22.1 Bidders may always submit their bids by mail or byhand.
 - (a) Bidders submitting bids by mail or by hand, shall enclose the original and the copy of the Bid in separate sealed envelopes, duly marking the envelopes as "ORIGINAL" and "COPY." These envelopes containing the original and the copy shall then be enclosed in one singleenvelope.
- 22.2 The inner and outer envelopesshall:
 - (a) Bear the name and address of the Bidder;
 - (b) be addressed to the Purchaser inaccordance with ITB Sub-Clause23.1;
 - (c) bear the specific identification of thisbidding process as indicated in the BDS;and
 - (d) bear a warning not to open before the time and date for bid opening, in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause261.

If all envelopes are not sealed and marked as required, the Purchaser will assume no responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of thebid.

- 23. Deadline for Submission ofBids
- 23.1 Bids must be received by the Purchaser at the address and no later than the date and time specified in theBDS.
- 23.2 The Purchaser may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for the submission of bids by amending the Bidding Documents in accordance with ITB Clause 8, in which case all rights and obligations of the Purchaser and Bidders previously subject to the deadline shall thereafter be subject to the deadline asextended.
- 24. LateBids
- 24.1 The Purchaser shall not consider any bid that arrives after the deadline for submission of bids, in accordance withITB Clause 23. Any bid received by the Purchaser after the deadline for submission of bids shall be declared late, rejected, and returned unopened to theBidder.
- 25. Withdrawal, and Modification of Bids
- 25.1ABiddermaywithdraw,ormodifyitsBidafterithasbeen submitted by sending a written notice in accordance with ITB Clause 22, duly signed by an authorized representative, and shall include a copy of the authorization in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 21.2, (except that no copies of the

- withdrawal notice are required). The corresponding substitution or modification of the bid must accompany the respective written notice. All notices must be:
- (a) submitted in accordance with ITB Clauses 21 and 22 (except that withdrawal notices do not require copies), and in addition, the respective envelopes shall be clearly marked "WITHDRAWAL," or "MODIFICATION;" and
- (b)received by the Purchaser prior to the deadline prescribedforsubmissionofbids,inaccordancewith ITB Clause23.
- 25.2 Bids requested to be withdrawn in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause25.1shallbereturnedtotheBiddersonlyupon notification of contract award to the successful bidder in accordance with sub clause 41.1..
- 25.3 No bid may be withdrawn, substituted, or modified in the intervalbetweenthedeadlineforsubmissionofbidsandthe expiration of the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Bid Submission Form or any extension thereof.
- 26. Bid Opening
- 26.1 ThePurchasershallconductthebidopeninginpublicatthe address, date and time specified in the BDS.
- 26.2First,envelopesmarked"WITHDRAWAL"shallbeopened andreadoutandtheenvelopewiththecorrespondingbid maybeopenedatthediscretionofthePurchaser.Nobid withdrawal shall be permitted unless the corresponding withdrawalnoticecontainsavalidauthorizationtorequest the withdrawal and is read out at bid opening. Envelopes marked "MODIFICATION" shall be opened and read out with the corresponding Bid. No Bid modification shall be permitted unless the corresponding modification notice contains a valid authorization to request the modification and is read out at Bid opening. Only envelopes that are opened and read out at Bid opening shall be considered further.
 - 26.3 Allotherenvelopesshallbeopenedoneatatime, reading out: the name of the Bidder and whether there is a modification; the Bid Prices, including any discounts and alternative offers; the presence of a Bid Security or Bid-Securing Declaration, if required; and any other details as the Purchaser may consider appropriate. Only discounts and alternative offers read out at Bid opening shall be considered for evaluation. No Bid shall be rejected at Bid opening except for late bids, in accordance with ITBSub-

Clause 24.1.

26.4 The Purchaser shall prepare a record of the Bid opening that shall include, as a minimum: the name of the Bidder and whether there is a withdrawal, or modification; the Bid Price, per lot if applicable, including any discounts, and the presence or absence of a Bid Security or Bid-Securing Declaration. The bids that were opened shall be resealed in separate envelopes, promptly after the bid opening. The Bidders' representatives who are present shall be requested to sign the attendance sheet. A copy of the record shall be distributed to all Bidders who submitted bids intime.

Evaluation and Comparison of Bids

27. Confidentiality

- 27.1 Information relating to the examination, evaluation, comparison, and post-qualification (if applicable) of bids, and recommendation of contract award, shall not be disclosed to bidders or any other persons not officially concerned with such process until publication of the Contract Award.
- 27.2 Any effort by a Bidder to influence the Purchaser in the evaluation, comparison, examination. and postqualification of the bids or contract award decisions may result in the rejection of itsBid.
- 27.3 Notwithstanding ITB Sub-Clause 27.2, if any Bidder wishes to contact the Purchaser on any matter related to the bidding process, from the time of bid opening to the time of Contract Award, it should do so inwriting.
- 28. Clarification of 28.1 To assist in the examination, evaluation, comparisonand Bids
 - post-qualification of the bids, the Purchaser may, at its discretion, request any Bidder for a clarification of its Bid. Any clarification submitted by a Bidder in respect to its Bid and that is not in response to a request by the Purchaser shall not be considered for purpose of evaluation. The Purchaser's request for clarification and the response shall be in writing. No change in the prices or substance of the Bid shall be sought, offered, or permitted, except to confirm the correction of arithmetic errors discovered by the Purchaser in the Evaluation of the bids, in accordance with ITB Clause30.

29. Responsiveness ofBids

- 29.1 The Purchaser's determination of a bid's responsivenessis to be based on the contents of the biditself.
- 29.2 A substantially responsive Bid is one that conforms to all the terms, conditions, and specifications of the Bidding Documents without material deviation, reservation, or

Omission. A material deviation, reservation, or omission is one that:

- (a) affects in any substantial way the scope, quality, or 1
- (b)
- (c) of the Goods and Related Services specified in the Contract; or
- (d) limits in any substantial way, inconsistent with the Bidding Documents, the Purchaser's rights or the Bidder's obligations under the Contract; or
- (e) if rectified would unfairly affect the competitive position of other bidders presenting substantially responsivebids.
- 29.3 If a bid is not substantially responsive to the Bidding Documents, it shall be rejected by the Purchaser and may not subsequently be made responsive by the Bidder by correction of the material deviation, reservation, oromission.
- 30. Nonconformities, Errors, and Omissions
- 30.1 Provided that a Bid is substantially responsive, the Purchaser may waive any non-conformities or omissions in the Bid that do not constitute a material deviation.
- 30.2 Provided that a bid is substantially responsive, the PurchasermayrequestthattheBiddersubmitthenecessary informationordocumentation,withinareasonableperiodof time, to rectify nonmaterial nonconformities or omissions in the bid related to documentation requirements. Such omissionshallnotberelatedtoanyaspectofthepriceof the Bid. Failure of the Bidder to comply with the request may result in the rejection of its Bid.
- 30.3 Provided that the Bid is substantially responsive, the Purchasershallcorrectarithmeticalerrorsonthefollowing basis:
 - (a) ifthereisadiscrepancybetweentheunitpriceandthe lineitemtotalthatisobtainedbymultiplyingtheunit pricebythequantity,theunitpriceshallprevailand the line item total shall be corrected, unless in the opinion of the Purchaser there is an obvious misplacementofthedecimalpointintheunitprice,in whichcasethelineitemtotalasquotedshallgovern and the unit price shall be corrected;
 - (b) if there is an error in a total corresponding to the addition or subtraction of subtotals, the subtotals shall prevail and the total shall be corrected; and
 - (c) ifthereisadiscrepancybetweenwordsandfigures, theamountinwordsshallprevail,unlesstheamount

expressed in words is related to an arithmetic error, in which case the amount in figures shall prevail subject to (a) and (b) above.

- 30.4 If the Bidder that submitted the lowest evaluated Bid does not accept the correction of errors, its Bid shall be disqualified and its Bid Security shall be forfeited or its Bid-Securing Declaration shall be executed.
- 31. Preliminary31.1 The Purchaser shall examine the bids to confirm thatall Examination of documents and technical documentation requested inITB

 Bids Clause 11 have been provided, and to determine the completeness of each documentsubmitted.
 - 312 The Purchaser shall confirm that the following documents and information have been provided in the Bid. If any of these documents or information is missing, the Bid shall berejected.
 - (a) Bid Submission Form, in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause12.1;
 - (b) Price Schedules, in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause12:
 - (c) Bid Security orBidSecuring Declaration, in accordance with ITB Clause 20.
- 32. Examination of 32.1 The Purchaser shall examine the Bid to confirm thatall Terms and terms and conditions specified in the CC and the Contract Conditions; Data have been accepted by the Bidder without any material deviation or reservation.

Evaluation

- 32.2 The Purchaser shall evaluate the technical aspects of the Bid submitted in accordance with ITB Clause 17, to confirm that all requirements specified in Section V, Schedule of Requirements of the Bidding Documents have been met without any material deviation or reservation.
 - 32.3 If, after the examination of the terms and conditions and the technical evaluation, the Purchaser determines that the Bid is not substantially responsive in accordance with ITB Clause 29, the Purchaser shall reject the Bid.
- 33. Conversion to 34.1 If the bidders are allowed to quote in foreign currencies in

Single Currency accordance with sub clause 15.1, for evaluation and

comparison purposes, the Purchaser shall convert all bid prices expressed in foreign currencies in to Sri Lankan Rupees using the selling rates prevailed 28 days prior to closing of bids as published by the Central Bank of Sri Lanka. If this date falls on a public holiday the earliest working day prior to the date shall be applicable.

34. Domestic Preference

34.1 Domesticpreferenceshallbeafactorinbidevaluationonly ifstatedintheBDS.Ifdomesticpreferenceshallbeabid-evaluationfactor,themethodologyforcalculatingthemargin ofpreferenceandthecriteriaforitsapplicationshallbeas specified in Section III, Evaluation and Qualification Criteria.

35. Evaluation of Bids

- 35.1 The Purchaser shall evaluate each bid that has been determined, up to this stage of the evaluation, to be substantially responsive.
- 35.2 To evaluate a Bid, the Purchaser shall only use all the factors, methodologies and criteria defined in this ITB Clause 35.
- 35.3 To evaluate a Bid, the Purchaser shall consider the following:
 - (a) theBidPriceasquotedinaccordancewithclause14;
 - (b) priceadjustmentforcorrectionofarithmeticerrorsin accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 30.3;
 - (c) price adjustment due to discounts offeredin accordancewithITBSub-Clause14.2;and14.3
 - (d) adjustments due to the application of the evaluation criteriaspecifiedintheBDSfromamongstthoseset out in Section III, Evaluation and Qualification Criteria;
 - (e) adjustments due to the application of a domestic preference, in accordance with ITB Clause 34 if applicable.
- 35.4 The Purchaser's evaluation of a bid may require the considerationofotherfactors, inadditiontothefactors sted inITBSub-Clause35.3, if specified in BDS. These factors may be related to the characteristics, performance, and terms and conditions of purchase of the Goods and Related Services. The effect of the factors selected, if any, shall be expressed in monetary terms to facilitate comparison of bids
- 35.5 If so specified in the BDS, these Bidding Documents shall allow Bidders to quote for one or more lots, and shall allow the Purchaser to award one or multiple lots to more than one Bidder. The methodology of evaluation to determine the lowest-evaluated lot combinations, is specified in Section III, Evaluation and QualificationCriteria.
- 36. Comparison of 36.1 The Purchaser shall compare all substantially responsive Bids bids to determine the lowest-evaluated bid, inaccordance

with ITB Clause 35.

- 37. Postqualification of the Bidder
- 37.1 ThePurchasershalldeterminetoitssatisfactionwhetherthe Bidder that is selected as having submitted the lowest evaluated and substantially responsive bid is qualified to perform the Contract satisfactorily.
- 37.2 Thedeterminationshallbebaseduponanexamination of the documentary evidence of the Bidder's qualifications submitted by the Bidder, pursuant to ITB Clause 18.
- 37.3 An affirmative determination shall be a prerequisite for award of the Contract to the Bidder. A negative determination shall result in disqualification of the bid, in whicheventthePurchasershallproceedtothenextlowest evaluated bid to make a similar determination of that Bidder's capabilities to perform satisfactorily.
- 38. Purchaser's
 Right to Accept
 Any Bid, and to
 Reject Any or
 All Bids
- 38.1 ThePurchaserreservestherighttoacceptorrejectanybid, andtoannulthebiddingprocessandrejectallbidsatany timepriortocontractaward,withouttherebyincurringany liability to Bidders.

Award of Contract

- 39. Award Criteria
- 39.1 ThePurchasershallawardtheContracttotheBidderwhose offerhasbeendeterminedtobethelowestevaluatedbid andissubstantiallyresponsivetotheBiddingDocuments, provided further that the Bidder is determined to be qualified to perform the Contract satisfactorily.
- 40. Purchaser's
 Right to Vary
 Quantities at
 Time of Award
- 40.1 At the time the Contract is awarded, the Purchaserreserves the right to increase or decrease the quantity of Goods and Related Services originally specified in Section V, Schedule of Requirements, provided this does not exceed twenty five percent (25%) or one unit which ever is higher and without any change in the unit prices or other terms and conditions of the bid and the Bidding Documents.
- 41. Notification of 41.1 Prior to the expiration of the period of bid validity,the

 Award PurchasershallnotifythesuccessfulBidder,inwriting,that
 its Bid has been accepted.
 - 41.2 Until a formal Contract is prepared and executed, the notification of award shall constitute a binding Contract.
 - 41.3 Upon the successful Bidder's furnishing of the signed Contract FormandperformancesecuritypursuanttoITBClause43,the PurchaserwillpromptlynotifyeachunsuccessfulBidderand willdischargeitsbidsecurity,pursuanttoITBClause20.4.

- 42. Signing of Contract
- 42.1 WithinSeven(7)daysafternotification,thePurchasershall complete the Agreement, and inform the successful Bidder to sign it.
- 42.2 Within Seven (7) days of receipt of such information, the successful Bidder shall sign the Agreement.
- 43. Performance 43.1 Within fourteen (14) days of the receipt of notification of Security

 award from the Purchaser, the successful Bidder, if required, shall furnish the Performance Security in accordance with the CC, using for that purpose the Performance Security Form included in Section VIII Contract forms. The Employer shall promptly notify the name of the winning Bidder to each unsuccessful Bidder and discharge the Bid Securities of the unsuccessful bidders pursuant to ITB Sub-Clause 20.4.
 - 43.2 Failure of the successful Bidder to submit the abovementioned Performance Security or sign the Contract shall constitute sufficient grounds for the annulment of the award and forfeiture of the Bid Security or execution of the Bid-Securing Declaration. In that event the Purchaser may award the Contract to the next lowest evaluated Bidder, whose offer is substantially responsive and is determined by the Purchaser to be qualified to perform the Contract satisfactorily.

Section VI.

Conditions of Contract

- 1. Definitions
- 1.1 The following words and expressions shall have the meanings hereby assigned to them:
 - (a) "Contract" means the Contract Agreement entered into between the Purchaser and the Supplier, together with the Contract Documents referred to therein, including all attachments, appendices, and all documents incorporated by referencetherein.
 - (b) "Contract Documents" means the documents listed in the Contract Agreement, including any amendmentsthereto.
 - (c) "Contract Price" means the price payable to the Supplier as specified in the Contract Agreement, subject to such additions and adjustments thereto or deductions therefrom, as may be made pursuant to the Contract.
 - (d) "Day" means calendarday.
 - (e) "Completion" means the fulfillment of the supply of Goods to the destination specified and completion of the Related Services by the Supplier in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in theContract.
 - (f) "CC" means the Conditions of Contract.
 - (g) "Goods" means all of the commodities, raw material, machinery and equipment, and/or other materials that the Supplier is required to supply to the Purchaser under the Contract.
 - (h) "Purchaser" means the entity purchasing the Goods and Related Services, as specified in the Contract Data.
 - (i) "Related Services" means the services incidental to the supply of the goods, such as insurance, installation, training and initial maintenance and other such obligations of the Supplier under the Contract.

- (j) "Subcontractor" means any natural person, private or government entity, or a combination of the above, to whom any part of the Goods to be supplied or execution of any part of the Related Services is subcontracted by the Supplier.
- (k) Supplier" means the natural person, private or government entity, or a combination of the above, whose bid to perform the Contract has been accepted by the Purchaser and is named as such in the ContractAgreement.
- (I) "The Project Site," where applicable, meansthe place named in the ContractData.
- Contract Documents
- 2.1 SubjecttotheorderofprecedencesetforthintheContract Agreement, all documents forming the Contract (and all parts thereof) are intended to becorrelative, complementary, and mutually explanatory. The Contract Agreement shall be read as a whole.
- 3. Fraud and Corruption
- 3.1 The Government of Sri Lanka requires the Purchaser as wellasbidders, suppliers, contractors, and consultants to observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of such contracts. In pursuit of this policy:
 - (i) "corrupt practice" means offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution:
 - (ii) "fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation or omission of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract;
 - (iii) "collusive practice" means a scheme or arrangementbetweentwoormorebidders, with or without the knowledge of the Purchaser to establish bid prices at artificial, noncompetitive levels; and
 - (iv) "Coercive practice" means harming or threatening to harm, directly or indirectly, persons or their property to influence their participation in the procurement process or affect the execution of a contract.

4.Interpretation

4.1Ifthecontextsorequiresit, singular means plural and vice versa.

Entire Agreement

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The Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the Purchaser and the Supplier and supersedes all communications, negotiations and agreements (whether

written or oral) of the parties with respect thereto made prior to the date of Contract.

4.3 Amendment

NoamendmentorothervariationoftheContractshallbe validunlessitisinwriting,isdated,expresslyreferstothe Contract,andissignedbyadulyauthorizedrepresentativeof each party thereto.

4.4 Severability

If any provision or condition of the Contract is prohibited or rendered invalid or unenforceable, such prohibition, invalidityorunenforceabilityshallnotaffectthevalidityor enforceabilityofanyotherprovisionsandconditionsofthe Contract.

5 . Language

- 5.1 TheContractaswellasallcorrespondenceanddocuments relatingtotheContractexchangedbytheSupplierandthe Purchaser, shall be written in Englishlanguage. Supportingdocumentsandprintedliteraturethatarepartof theContractmaybeinanotherlanguageprovidedtheyare accompanied by an accurate translation of the relevant passages in the language specified, in which case, for purposesofinterpretationoftheContract,thistranslation shall govern.
- 5.2 The Supplier shall bear all costs of translation to the governinglanguageandallrisksoftheaccuracyofsuch translation, for documents provided by the Supplier.
- 5Joint Venture,Consortium orAssociation
- 6.1 If the Supplier is a joint venture, consortium, or association, all of the parties shall be jointly and severally liable to the Purchaser for the fulfill ment of the provisions of the Contract and shall designate one party to act as a leader with authority to bind the joint venture, consortium, or association. The composition or the constitution of the

jointventure, consortium, or associations hall not be altered without the prior consent of the Purchaser.

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. Eligibility

7.1 All goods supplied under this contract shall be complied with applicable standards stipulated by the Sri Lanka StandardsInstitute.Intheabsenceofsuchstandards,the Goodssuppliedshallbecompliedtootherinternationally accepted standards, such as British Standards.

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- . Notices
- 8.1 Anynoticegivenbyonepartytotheotherpursuanttothe Contractshallbeinwritingtotheaddressspecifiedinthe ContractData. The term "in writing" means communicated in written form with proof of receipt.
 - 8.2A notice shall be effective when delivered or on the notice's effective date, whichever is later.
- 9. Governing Law
- 9.1 The Contract shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.
- 10. Settlement of Disputes
- 10.1 ThePurchaserandtheSuppliershallmakeeveryeffortto resolve amicably by direct informal negotiation any disagreementordisputearisingbetweenthemunderorin connection with the Contract.
- 10.2 If, aftertwenty-eight(28)days,thepartieshavefailedto resolve their dispute or difference by suchmutual consultation, then either the Purchaser or the Supplier may givenoticetotheotherpartyofitsintentiontocommence arbitration,ashereinafterprovided,astothematterindispute, and no arbitration in respect of this matter may be commenced unless such notice is given. Any dispute or difference in respect of which a notice of intention to commencearbitrationhasbeengiveninaccordancewiththis Clauseshallbefinallysettledbyarbitration.Arbitrationmay becommencedpriortoorafterdeliveryoftheGoodsunder the Contract. Arbitration proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the Arbitration Act No:11 of 1995.
- 10.3 Notwithstanding any reference to arbitration herein,
 - (a) the parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations under the Contract unless they otherwise agree; and
 - (b) the Purchasershall pay the Supplier anymonies due the Supplier.

- 11. Scope of 11.1 The Goods and Related Services to be supplied shall beas Supply specified in the Schedule ofRequirements.
- 12. Delivery and 12.1 Subject to CC Sub-Clause 32.1, the Delivery of theGoods Documents and Completion of the Related Services shall bein accordance with the Delivery and Completion Schedule specified in the Schedule of Requirements. Where applicable the details of shipping and other documents to be furnished by the Supplier are specified in the ContractData.
- 13. Supplier's Responsibilities
- 13.1 The Supplier shall supply all the Goods and Related Services included in the Scope of Supply inaccordance with CC Clause 11, and the Delivery and Completion Schedule, as per CC Clause 12.
- 14. Contract Price 14.1 Prices charged by the Supplier for the Goodssupplied and the Related Services performed under the Contract shallnot

vary from the prices quoted by the Supplier in its bid.

- 15. Terms of 15.1 The Contract Price, shall be paid as specified in the Payment Contract Data.
 - 15.2 The Supplier's request for payment shall be made to the Purchaser in writing, accompanied by invoices describing, as appropriate, the Goods delivered and Related Services performed, and by the documents submitted pursuant to CC Clause 12 and upon fulfillment of all other obligations stipulated in theContract.
 - 15.3 Payments shall be made promptly by the Purchaser, but in no case later than twenty eight (28) days after submission of an invoice or request for payment by the Supplier, and after the Purchaser has acceptedit.
- 16. Taxes and 16.1 The Supplier shall be entirely responsible for alltaxes,

 Duties duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted Goods to the Purchaser.
 - 17. Performance 17.1 If required as specified in the Contract Data,theSupplierSecurity shall, within fourteen (14) days ofthe notification of contract award, provide a performance security of Five percent (5%) of the Contract Price for the performance of the Contract.
 - 17.2 The proceeds of the Performance Security shall be payable to the Purchaser as compensation for any loss resulting from the Supplier's failure to completeits obligations under the Contract.
 - 17.3 As specified in the Contract Data, the Performance Security, if required, shall be in Sri Lanka Rupees and shall be in the format stipulated by the Purchaser

in the Contract Data, or in another format acceptable to the Purchaser.

- 17.4 The Performance Security shall be discharged by the Purchaser and returned to the Supplier not later than twenty-eight (28) days following the date of Completion of the Supplier's performance obligations under the Contract, including any warrantyobligations.
- 18. Copyright
- 18.1 The copyright in all drawings, documents, and

other materials containing data and information furnished to the Purchaser by the Supplier herein shall remain vested in the Supplier, or, if they are furnished to the Purchaser directly or through the Supplier by any third party, including suppliers of materials, the copyright in such materials shall

remain vested in such third party.

- 19. Confidential 19.1 The Purchaser and the Supplier shall keep confidential and Information shall not, without the written consent of the other party
 - hereto, divulge to any third party any documents, data, or other information furnished directly or indirectly by the other party hereto in connection with the Contract, whether such information has been furnished prior to, during or following completion or termination of the Contract. Notwithstanding the above, the Supplier may furnish to its Subcontractor such documents, data, and other information it receives from the Purchaser to the extent required for the Subcontractor to perform its work under the Contract, in which event the Supplier shall obtain from such Subcontractor an undertaking of confidentiality similar to that imposed on the Supplier under CC Clause19.
 - 19.2 The Purchaser shall not use such documents, data, and other information received from the Supplier for any purposes unrelated to the contract. Similarly, the Supplier shall not use such documents, data, and other information received from the Purchaser for any purpose other than the performance of theContract.
 - 19.3 The above provisions of CC Clause 19 shall not in any way modify any undertaking of confidentiality given by either of the parties hereto prior to the date of the Contract in respect of the Supply or any partthereof.
 - 19.4 The provisions of CC Clause 19 shall survivecompletion or termination, for whatever reason, of the Contract.
- 20. Subcontract- 20.1 The Supplier shall notify the Purchaser in writing of all ing subcontracts awarded under the Contract if not already specified in the bid. Such notification, inthe

original bid or later shall not relieve the

Supplier from any of its obligations, duties, responsibilities, or liability under the Contract.

20.2 Subcontracts shall comply with the provisions of CC Clauses 3 and 7.

21. Specifications 21.1 Technical Specifications and Drawings and Standards

- (a) The Goods and Related Services supplied under this Contract shall conform to the technical specifications and standards mentioned in Section V, Schedule of Requirements and, when no applicable standard is mentioned, the standard shall be equivalent or superior to the official standards whose application is appropriate to the Goods' country oforigin.
- b) The Supplier shall be entitled to disclaim responsibility for any design, data, drawing, specification or other document, or any modification thereof provided or designed by or on behalf of the Purchaser, by giving a notice of such disclaimer to the Purchaser.
- (c) Wherever references are made in the Contract to codes and standards in accordance with which it shall be executed, the edition or the revised version of such codes and standards shall be those specified in the Schedule of Requirements. During Contract execution, any changes in any such codes and standards shall be applied only after approval by the Purchaser and shall be treated in accordance with CC Clause 32.

- 22. Packingand Documents
- 22.1 The Supplier shall pack the Goods as is required to prevent their damage or deterioration during transit to their final destination, as indicated in the Contract.
- 23. Insurance23.1 Unless otherwise specified in the Contract Data, the Goods supplied under the Contract shall be fullyinsured against loss or damage incidental to manufacture or acquisition, transportation, storage, and
- 24. Transportation 24.1 Unless otherwise specified in the ContractData, responsibility for arranging transportation of the Goods shall be a responsibility of the supplier.
- 25. Inspections and Tests
- 25.1 The Supplier shall at its own expense and at no cost to the Purchaser carry out all such tests and/or inspections of the Goods and Related Services as are specified in the ContractData.
- 25.2 The inspections and tests may be conducted on the premises of the Supplier or its Subcontractor, at point of delivery, and/or at the Goods' final destination, or in another place as specified in the Contract Data. Subject to CC Sub-Clause 25.3, if conducted on the premises of the Supplier or its Subcontractor, all reasonable facilities and assistance, including access to drawings and production data, shall be furnished to the inspectors at no charge to the Purchaser.
 - 25.3 The Purchaser or its designated representative shallbe entitled to attend the tests and/or inspections referred toin CC Sub-Clause 25.2, provided that the Purchaser bear all of its own costs and expenses incurred in connection with such attendance including, but not limited to, all traveling and board and lodging expenses.

- 25.4 Whenever the Supplier is ready to carry out any such test and inspection, it shall give a reasonable advance notice, including the place and time, to the Purchaser. The Supplier shall obtain from any relevant third party or manufacturer any necessary permission or consent to enable the Purchaser or its designated representative to attend the test and/orinspection.
- 25.5 The Purchaser may require the Supplier to carry out any test and/or inspection not required by the Contract but deemed necessary to verify that the characteristics and performance of the Goods comply with the technical specifications codes and standards under the Contract, provided that the Supplier's reasonable costs and expenses incurred in the carrying out of such test and/or inspection shall be added to the Contract Price. Further, if such test and/or inspection impedes the progress of manufacturing and/or the Supplier's performance of its other obligations under the Contract, due allowance will be made in respect of the Delivery Dates and Completion Dates and the other obligations soaffected.
- 25.6 The Supplier shall provide the Purchaser with a report of the results of any such test and/orinspection.
- 25.7 The Purchaser may reject any Goods or any part thereof that fail to pass any test and/or inspection or do not conform to the specifications. The Supplier shall either rectify or replace such rejected Goods or parts thereof or make alterations necessary to meet the specifications at no cost to the Purchaser, and shall repeat the test and/or inspection, at no cost to the Purchaser, upon giving a notice pursuant to CC Sub-Clause25.4.
- 25.8 The Supplier agrees that neither the execution of a test and/or inspection of the Goods or any part thereof, nor the attendance by the Purchaser or its representative, nor the issue of any report pursuant to CC Sub-Clause 25.6, shall release the Supplier from any warranties or other obligations under the Contract.
- 26. Liquidated26.1 Except as provided under CC Clause 31, if theSupplier
 Damages fails to deliver any or all of the Goods by the Date(s) of
 deliveryorperformtheRelatedServiceswithintheperiod
 specified in the Contract, the Purchaser may without
 prejudice to all its other remedies under the Contract,
 deductfromtheContractPrice,asliquidateddamages,a
 sumequivalenttothepercentagespecifiedintheContract
 Data of the delivered price of the delayed Goods or
 unperformed Services for each week or part thereof of
 delay until actual delivery or performance, up to a

maximum deduction of the percentage specified in those Contract Data. Once the maximum is reached, the Purchaser may terminate the Contract pursuant to CC Clause 34.

- 27. Warranty27.1 The Supplier warrants that all the Goods are new, unused, and of the most recent or current models, andthat they incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials, unless provided otherwise in theContract.
 - 27.2 Subject to CC Sub-Clause 21.1(b), the Supplier further warrantsthattheGoodsshallbefreefromdefectsarising from any act or omission of the Supplier or arising from design,materials,andworkmanship,undernormalusein theconditionsprevailinginthecountryoffinaldestination.
 - 27.3 Unless otherwise specified in the Contract Data, the warranty shall remain valid for twelve (12) months after theGoods, or any portion thereofasthecase may be, have been delivered to and accepted at the final destination indicated in the Contract Data.
 - 27.4 ThePurchasershallgivenoticetotheSupplierstatingthe nature of any such defects together with all available evidence thereof, promptly following the discovery thereof. ThePurchasershallaffordallreasonableopportunityfor the Supplier to inspect such defects.
 - 27.5 Uponreceiptofsuchnotice,theSuppliershall,withinthe periodspecifiedintheContractData,expeditiouslyrepair orreplacethedefectiveGoodsorpartsthereof,atnocostto the Purchaser.
 - 27.6 If having been notified, the Supplier fails to remedy the defect within the period specified in the Contract Data, the Purchaser may proceed to take within a reasonable periodsuchremedialactionasmaybenecessary,atthe Supplier'sriskandexpenseandwithoutprejudicetoany other rights which the Purchaser may have against the Supplier under the Contract.
- 28. Patent Indemnity
- 28.1 TheSuppliershall,subjecttothePurchaser'scompliance withCCSub-Clause28.2,indemnifyandholdharmlessthe Purchaseranditsemployeesandofficersfromandagainst any and all suits, actions or administrative proceedings, claims, demands, losses, damages, costs, and expenses of any nature, including attorney's fees and expenses, which the Purchaser may suffer as a result of any infringement or alleged infringement of any patent, utility model, registered design, trademark, copyright, or other intellectual property right registered or otherwise existing at the date of the

Contract by reason of:

- the installation of the Goods by the Supplier or the use of the Goods in the country where the Site is located;and
- (b) the sale in any country of the productsproduced by the Goods.

Such indemnity shall not cover any use of the Goods or any part thereof other than for the purpose indicated by or to be reasonably inferred from the Contract, neither any infringement resulting from the use of the Goods or any part thereof, or any products produced thereby in association or combination with any other equipment, plant, or materials not supplied by the Supplier, pursuant to the Contract.

- 28.2 If any proceedings are brought or any claim is made against the Purchaser arising out of the matters referred to in CC Sub-Clause 28.1, the Purchaser shall promptly give the Supplier a notice thereof, and the Supplier may at its own expense and in the Purchaser's name conduct such proceedings or claim and any negotiations for the settlement of any such proceedings or claim.
- 28.3 IftheSupplierfailstonotifythePurchaserwithintwenty-eight (28) days after receipt of such notice that it intends to conduct any such proceedings or claim, then the Purchaser shall be free to conduct the same on its own behalf.
- 28.4 The Purchaser shall, at the Supplier's request, afford all available assistance to the Supplier in conducting such proceedings or claim, and shall be reimbursed by the Supplier for all reasonable expenses incurred in sodoing.
- 28.5 The Purchaser shall indemnify and hold harmless the Supplier and its employees, officers, and Subcontractors from and against any and all suits, actions or administrative proceedings, claims, demands, losses, damages, costs, and expenses of any nature, including attorney's fees and expenses, which the Supplier may suffer as a result of any infringement or alleged infringement of any patent, utility model, registered design, trademark, copyright, or other intellectual property right registered or otherwise existing at the date of the Contract arising out of or in connection with any design, data, drawing, specification, or other documents or materials provided or designed by or on behalf of the Purchaser.
- 29. Limitation of 29.1 Except in cases of criminal negligence or willful Liability misconduct,

- (a) the Supplier shall not be liable to the Purchaser, whether in contract, tort, or otherwise, for any indirect or consequential loss or damage, loss of use, loss of production, or loss of profits or interest costs, provided that this exclusion shall not apply to any obligation of the Supplier to pay liquidated damages to the Purchaserand
- (b) the aggregate liability of the Supplier to the Purchaser, whether under the Contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total Contract Price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment, or to any obligation of the supplier to indemnify the purchaser with respect to patentinfringement
- 30. Change in Laws and Regulations
- 30.1 Unless otherwise specified in the Contract, if after the date of 28 days prior to date of Bid submission, any law, regulation, ordinance, order or bylaw having the force of law is enacted. promulgated, abrogated, or changed in Sri Lanka that subsequently affects the Delivery Date and/or the Contract Price, then such Delivery Date and/or Contract Price shall be correspondingly increased or decreased, to the extent that the Supplier has thereby been affected inthe performance of any of its obligations under the Notwithstanding Contract. the foregoing. additional or reduced cost shall not be separately paid or credited if the same has already been accounted for in the price adjustment provisions applicable, in accordance with CC Clause14.
- 31. Force Majeure 31.1 The Supplier shall not be liable for forfeiture of itsPerformance Security, liquidated damages, or termination for default if and to the extent that its delay in performance or other failure to perform its obligations under the Contract is the result of an event of Force Majeure.
 - 31.2 For purposes of this Clause, "Force Majeure" means an event or situation beyond the control of the Supplier that is not foreseeable, is unavoidable, and its origin is not due to negligence or lack of care on the part of the Supplier. Such events may include, but not be limited to, acts of the Purchaser in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, and freightembargoes.
 - 31.3 If a Force Majeure situation arises, the Supplier shall promptly notify the Purchaser in writing of such condition and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the Purchaser in writing, the Supplier shall continue to perform its obligations under the Contract as far as isreasonably

practical, and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the Force Majeure event.

- 32. Change Orders 32.1 The Purchaser may at any time order the Supplierthrough and Contract notice in accordance CC Clause 8, to make changes within the general scope of the Contract in any one or more of the following:
 - (a) drawings, designs, or specifications, where Goods to be furnished under the Contract are to be specifically manufactured for the Purchaser;
 - (b) the method of shipment orpacking;
 - (c) the place of delivery; and
 - (d) the Related Services to be provided by the Supplier.
 - 32.2 If any such change causes an increase or decrease in the cost of, or the time required for, the Supplier's performance of any provisions under the Contract, an equitable adjustment shall be made in the Contract Price or in the Delivery/Completion Schedule, or both, and the Contract shall accordingly be amended. Any claims by the Supplier for adjustment under this Clause must be asserted within twenty-eight (28) days from the date of the Supplier's receipt of the Purchaser's changeorder.
 - 32.3 Prices to be charged by the Supplier for any Related Services that might be needed but which were not included in the Contract shall be agreed upon in advance by the parties and shall not exceed the prevailing rates charged to other parties by the Supplier for similarservices.
 - 32.4 Subject to the above, no variation in or modification of the terms of the Contract shall be made except by written amendment signed by theparties.
- 33. Extensions of 33.1 If at any time during performance of the Contract, the Time

 Supplier or its subcontractors shouldencounter conditions impeding timely delivery of the Goods or completion of Related Services pursuant to CC Clause 12, the Supplier shall promptly notify the Purchaser in writing of the delay, its likely duration, and its cause. As soon as practicable after receipt of the Supplier's notice, the Purchaser shall evaluate the situation and may at its discretion extend the Supplier's time for performance, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of the Contract.
 - 33.2 Except in case of Force Majeure, as provided under CC Clause 31, a delay by the Supplier in the performance of its Delivery and Completion obligations shall renderthe

Supplier liable to the imposition of liquidated damages pursuant to CC Clause 26, unless an extension of time is agreed upon, pursuant to CC Sub-Clause 33.1.

34. Termination 34.1 Termination for Default

- (a) The Purchaser, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of Contract, by written notice of default sent to the Supplier, may terminate the Contract in whole or inpart:
 - (i) if the Supplier fails to deliver any or all of the Goods within the period specified in the Contract, or within any extension thereof granted by the Purchaser pursuant to CC Clause33;
 - (i) if the Supplier fails to perform anyother obligation under the Contract; or
 - if the Supplier, in the judgment of the Purchaser has engaged in fraud and corruption, as defined in CC Clause 3, in competing for or in executing the Contract.
- (b) In the event the Purchaser terminates the Contract in whole or in part, pursuant to CC Clause 34.1(a), the Purchaser may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as it deems appropriate, Goods or Related Services similar to those undelivered or not performed, and the Supplier shall be liable to the Purchaser for any additional costs for such similar Goods or Related Services. However, the Supplier shall continue performance of the Contract to the extent notterminated.

34.2 Termination for Insolvency.

(a) The Purchaser may at any time terminate the Contract by giving notice to the Supplier if the Supplier becomes bankrupt or otherwise insolvent. In such event, termination will be without compensation to the Supplier, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy that has accrued or will accrue thereafter to the Purchaser

34.3 Termination for Convenience.

(a) The Purchaser, by notice sent to the Supplier, may terminate the Contract, in whole or in part, at any time for its convenience. The notice of termination shall specify that termination is for the Purchaser's convenience, the extent to which performance of the

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- Supplier under the Contract is terminated, and the date upon which such termination becomes effective.
- (b) The Goods that are complete and ready for shipment within twenty-eight (28) days after the Supplier's receipt of notice of termination shall be accepted by the Purchaser at the Contract terms and prices. For the remaining Goods, the Purchaser mayelect:
 - (i) to have any portion completed anddelivered at the Contract terms and prices; and/or
 - (ii) to cancel the remainder and pay to the Supplier an agreed amount for partially completed Goods and Related Services and for materials and parts previously procured by the Supplier.
- 35. Assignment 35.1 Neither the Purchaser nor the Supplier shall assign,in whole or in part, their obligations under this Contract, except with prior written consent of the other party.