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Invitation for Bid No: GTA-IFB-2023-001 15-Year Term Indefeasible Right to Use (IRU) Capital Lease of 100 Gbps of an Asia Pacific Cable System between a Guam Cable Landing Station and TY2 Peering Location in Tokyo, Japan

Response to Questions

Question #21: Can you please confirm whether bidder will be require to agree to the following clauses in the Invitation for Bid Package document without negotiation or whether there will be any flexibility to negotiate (in light of the fact that bidder will be subcontractor to government and not prime contractor)?

- In compliance with 2 CFR 200.316, real property, equipment, and intangible property that are acquired or improved with a Federal award must be held in trust by the non-Federal entity as a trustee for the beneficiaries of the project or program under which the property was acquired or improved. Therefore, a lien will be filed to record that the IRU cable capacity will be placed in a property trust.
- Section IX Invitation for Bid Federal Award Contract Requirements

Response: The IRU term contract will require the bidder to agree to follow the clauses in the Invitation for Bid Package without negotiation.

• GTA will file a lien to record that the IRU cable capacity will be placed in a property trust. NTIA serves as the secured party with GTA as the debtor. By signing a 15-Year IRU term with GTA, the bidder agrees to the filing of the lien.

See Amendment #5.

• With respect to Section IX, GTA is required to insert into its procured contracts all applicable contract clauses described in <u>2 CFR § 200.327</u>, Appendix II procured with the subawarded funds.

48 CFR Part 4 Subpart 4.7 Contractor Records Retention and 41 U.S.C. § 4712 Whistleblower Protections are mandatory clauses.

GTA and all its contractors must abide by all applicable federal, state, and local regulations.

See Amendment #5.

Question #22: Could you please clarify if we can submit our commercial bid electronically?

Response: Electronic bid submissions are not permitted. Sealed bid proposals must be submitted via mail or physically to GTA's Office:

TeleGuam Holdings, LLC dba GTA Re: GTA-IFB-2023-001 Legal and Regulatory, 624 North Marine Dr. Tamuning, Guam 96913

Bid submission deadline is on October 25, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. ChST. Deadline for question submission is on October 20, 2023 ChST.

If packages are mailed, GTA recommends the use of express mail services such as DHL and USPS Priority Mail.