



## PUBLIC ADVISORY

### APPLICATION OF DOMESTIC PREFERENCE FOR THE GOVERNMENT-WIDE PROCUREMENT OF COVID-19 RESPONSE ITEMS UNDER BAYANIHAN 2

The Procurement Service of the Department of Budget and Management (PS-DBM) would like to encourage all interested suppliers and manufacturers to apply for a Domestic Bidders (DoBid) Certificate of Preference from the Department of Trade and Industry - Competitiveness Bureau (DTI-CB).

In line with the government's effort to reduce the adverse impact of COVID-19 in the Philippine economy, particularly in the business activities and livelihood of Filipinos, Section 4(u) of the Bayanihan to Recover as One Act **requires** the application of domestic preference in the procurement of COVID-19 related goods.

#### ***When do we apply Domestic Preference?***

PS-DBM would like to emphasize that only bidders who have successfully secured a DoBid from the DTI-CB can benefit from domestic preference.

The PS-DBM as a Procuring Entity (PE) may apply domestic preference in the interest of availability, efficiency, and timely delivery. When the bid submitted by the lowest domestic bidder with DoBid is not more than fifteen percent (15%) in excess of the lowest foreign bid, domestic preference is applied and the contract is awarded to the domestic bidder.

#### ***How to apply for a DoBid?***

The DoBid is a certification that the articles forming part of a bid are substantially composed of articles, materials, or supplies that are grown, produced, or manufactured in the Philippines.

The DoBid Application is a four-step process only: (1) Submit documentary requirements, (2) Pay application fees, (3) Be evaluated through a physical site visit or virtual inspection, and (4) Receive the Certificate.

For more questions on the application process for the issuance of a DoBid, interested Domestic Bidders may contact DTI-CB at [CBDoBid@dti.gov.ph](mailto:CBDoBid@dti.gov.ph).

Per DTI's list of companies with DoBid, last updated on September 24, 2020, there are only two (2) companies offering COVID-19 response items, namely—Reliance Producers Cooperative offering PPE Coveralls (DoBid issued on June 2, 2020 and expires on June 2, 2022) and Medtex Corporation offering N-88 Surgical Face Mask 3-ply (DoBid issued on July 10, 2020 and expires on July 10, 2022).

### **APPLY FOR A DoBid NOW!**

Rest assured that the PS-DBM is one with all industries and sectors in supporting local labor and products while ensuring the well-being of the Filipinos. With this, PS-DBM encourages all interested bidders to apply for a DoBid today and join our fight against the COVID-19 pandemic.

Thank you.