

Advance Contracting Notice

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Country/Borrower: Philippines

Title of Proposed Project: 53172-PHI: Manila Metro Rail Transit Line 4 Project (MRT4)

Name and Address of Executing Agency:

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Brief Description of the Project:

The MRT4 project will be a fully elevated railway mass-transit system to serve the eastern side of Metro Manila including the highly populated areas of the province of Rizal. As a high-capacity urban public-transport system, MRT4 will address the current transport bottleneck along Ortigas Avenue, which will be approximately 13.0 km long, with 10 stations, and include a barrier-free design to allow inclusive access.

The MRT4 is a greenfield project and includes: (i) civil infrastructure comprising the viaduct, stations, and ancillary buildings, (ii) a depot located at the end of the line in Taytay, Rizal, which will also accommodate the line's operation control center (OCC), (iii) all railway systems including, but not limited to, track works, signaling/train control, power systems, and telecommunications, and (iv) rolling stock/trains.

The project shall be implemented over five (5) years, with an expected start of commercial operation in 2028. Potential future extensions of the MRT4 line are under review, however, this will not form part of the procurement activities under this phase of the project.

Brief Description of Goods and Related Services, Works, or Consulting Services to be Procured:

The procurement for the project implementation will comprise different packages, which are categorized as follows:

 Procurement packages for <u>Advanced Early Works</u> for Utility relocation and <u>Early Works</u> for Site Clearance activities, financed by Philippine government funds, under local/national procurement regulations,

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- Procurement packages for consultancy services for the <u>Project Management and</u> <u>Construction Supervision Consultant (PMCSC)</u> and for the <u>Independent Safety Assessor</u> (ISA), financed by official development assistance (ODA) loans ¹, following ADB Procurement Regulations, Guidelines, and Policies,²
- Procurement package(s) for the infrastructure <u>Civil Works (CW)</u>, designed by the Employer, financed by ODA loans¹, following ADB Procurement Regulations, Guidelines, and Policies,² and
- Procurement package(s) for the <u>Railway Systems and Trains (RS&T)</u>, designed by the Contractor, financed by ODA loans¹, following ADB Procurement Regulations, Guidelines, and Policies.²

Advanced contracting will be undertaken for the procurement packages of the PMCSC, the CW, and the RS&T, which are financed by ODA loans ¹ in conformity with ADB Procurement Policy (2017, as amended from time to time) ² and the Procurement Regulations for ADB Borrowers (2017, as amended from time to time) ². ADB and AIIB approvals of advanced contracting will not commit ADB or AIIB to subsequently approve the project, the project loans, the project costs, or to finance the procurement costs.

Detailed information about the scope and timeline of the different procurement packages, including market engagement activities, invitations to prequalify (if any) and bid for CW and RS&T, and request for expressions of interest for PMCSC, will be published/advertised subsequently and separately in due course. It is expected that the procurement process will commence in Q1 2023, with a subsequent Market Survey and Market Engagement Conferences in Q2 2023.

Companies/firms who wish to indicate their interest in the project, and take part in market engagement activities, are invited to provide the company/contact information detailed below to the following email address: <u>mrt4.procurement@dotrrailways.com</u>.

- Company name:
- Company's/entity's country of incorporation:
- Company's main business field:
- Specific interest in procurement package (please indicate): _
 - Project Management and Construction Supervision Consultant (PMCSC)
 - Civil Works (CW)
 - Railway Systems and Trains (RS&T)
 - Contact name and position/role:
- Contact email address: _____

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¹ ODA financing under cofinancing arrangments with proposed loans from the Asian Development Bank [ADB] and the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank [AIIB].

² Participation and bidding will be open to companies/firms from all countries and do not limit to companies/firms from ADB and AIIB member countries.