



Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Health  
**CENTRAL OFFICE BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE**

**COBAC RESOLUTION NO. 2019-421-F**  
06 December 2019

**RECOMMENDING APPROVAL FOR THE AWARD OF CONTRACT TO  
PHILIPPINE JOURNALISTS, INC. FOR THE NEWSPAPER  
ADVERTISEMENT FOR DOH DRUG PRICE WATCH  
NP NO. 2019-034**

**WHEREAS**, the Central Office Bids and Awards Committee (COBAC) – D received the request from the Pharmaceutical Division (PD) to procure the Newspaper Advertisement for DOH Drug Price Watch in accordance with the Republic Act (RA) 9184 and its 2016 Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) through the General Appropriations Act (GAA) of 2019 with a Total Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC) of One Million Philippine Pesos (PhP1,000,000.00):

Lot No.	Particular	Publication	ABC (PhP)
1	Newspaper Advertisement for DOH Drug Price Watch	Philstar Daily, Inc.	200,000.00
		Manila Bulletin Publishing Corporation	200,000.00
		The Manila Times Publishing Corporation	200,000.00
		Pilipino Star Ngayon, Inc.	140,000.00
		Bulgar	120,000.00
		Philippine Journalists, Inc.	140,000.00
Total ABC (PhP)			1,000,000.00

**WHEREAS**, COBAC Resolution No. 2019-421 “Recommending Approval for the Use of Negotiated Procurement through Scientific, Scholarly or Artistic Work, Exclusive Technology and Media Services for the Newspaper Advertisement for DOH Drug Price Watch”, was approved;

**WHEREAS**, COBAC Resolution No. 2019-421-A “Declaration of Failure of Negotiated Procurement through Scientific, Scholarly or Artistic Work, Exclusive Technology and Media Services to the Sison’s Publishing House, Inc. (Bulgar) for the Newspaper Advertisement for DOH Drug Price Watch”, was approved;

**WHEREAS**, COBAC Resolution No. 2019-421-B “Recommending Approval for the Award of Contract to Philstar Daily, Inc. for the Newspaper Advertisement for DOH Drug Price Watch”, was approved;

**WHEREAS**, COBAC Resolution No. 2019-421-C “Recommending Approval for the Award of Contract to Manila Bulletin Publishing Corporation for the Newspaper Advertisement for DOH Drug Price Watch”, was approved;

**WHEREAS**, COBAC Resolution No. 2019-421-D “Recommending Approval for the Award of Contract to The Manila Times Publishing Corporation for the Newspaper Advertisement for DOH Drug Price Watch”, was approved;

**WHEREAS**, COBAC Resolution No. 2019-421-E “Recommending Approval for the Award of Contract to Pilipino Star Ngayon, Inc. for the Newspaper Advertisement for DOH Drug Price Watch”, was approved;

**WHEREAS**, on 13 November 2019, the Requests for Quotation (RFQ) was sent to Philippine Journalists, Inc. (PJI) through electronic mail (e-mail):

Publication	Item Description	Total ABC (PhP)
Philippine Journalists, Inc.	Newspaper Advertisement for DOH Drug Price Watch	140,000.00

**WHEREAS**, on 18 November 2019, PJI submitted its quotation and other documentary requirements:

Lot No.	Particular	Total Bid Price (PhP)
1	Newspaper Advertisement for DOH Drug Price Watch	137,121.60

**WHEREAS**, on the same date, the quotation of PSNI and other documentary requirements were forwarded to the TWG for evaluation;

**WHEREAS**, the Technical Working Group (TWG) was created through the issuance of Department Personnel Order (DPO) COBAC No. 2019-319 dated 18 November 2019;

**WHEREAS**, on 19 November 2019, the TWG Technical, Financial and Legal Evaluators, upon evaluation, requested for the following and submitted their report, to wit;

NON-COMPLYING	FOR CLARIFICATION	COMPLYING
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Non-submission of Latest Annual Tax Return/Value Added Tax (VAT) or Percentage Tax Returns covering the previous six (6) months.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Incomplete details in the Secretary's Certificate.</li></ul>	

**WHEREAS**, on 26 November 2019, the TWG report was presented to COBAC-D during its 44<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting. Upon review and deliberation, the Committee overruled the TWG's recommendation and decided to request clarification from PJI;

**WHEREAS**, on the same date, the COBAC-D issued a letter through e-mail to PJI requesting for clarification on the above-cited findings;

**WHEREAS**, on 28 November 2019, the COBAC-D received a response from PJI and was subsequently forwarded to the TWG for evaluation;

**WHEREAS**, on 29 November 2019, the TWG upon evaluation, found PJI “complying” and submitted their report;

**WHEREAS**, on 03 December 2019, the TWG report was presented to COBAC-D during its 45<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting. Upon review and deliberation, the Committee concurred with the TWG's recommendation and resolved to recommend the award of the contract to PJI;

**WHEREAS**, at the time of the signing of this resolution, there is no pending incident, no pending Request for Reconsideration, no pending Protest and the COBAC-D followed the requirements set forth in R.A. 9184;

**NOW THEREFORE**, in consideration of the above premises, the herein members of the COBAC-D **HEREBY RESOLVE** to recommend the award of contract to **Philippine Journalists, Inc.** with a Total Contract Price of **One Hundred Thirty Seven Thousand One Hundred Twenty One Philippine Pesos and Sixty Centavos (PhP137,121.60)** inclusive of local taxes for the lot listed below:

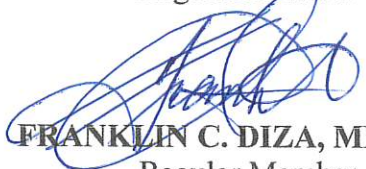
Lot No.	Particular	Total Bid Price (PhP)
1	Newspaper Advertisement for DOH Drug Price Watch	137,121.60


Signed this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2019 at the Department of Health, San Lazaro Compound, Sta. Cruz, Manila.

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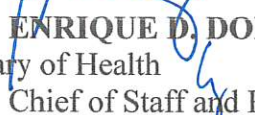
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