

<b>North – South Commuter Railway (NSCR) Project (Malolos – Tutuban) Package CP02: Elevated Structures and 3 Stations</b>			
<b>ITEM NO.</b>	<b>REFERENCE CLAUSE/ SECTION</b>	<b>CLARIFICATION REQUEST</b>	<b>RESPONSE</b>
<i>General</i>			
1	General Bid Bulletin No. 17 for CP01, Pages 25-26	When the Bidder requires additional land outside NSCR ROW but inside PNR Property, may the Bidder assume that the monthly rental shall be calculated based on the 2% Zonal Value as referred to CP01 GBB-17, #76, Item g.	<p>Yes. The whole stretch between Tutuban and Malolos, which are part of the land outside of NSCR ROW, but inside the PNR Boundary, is available for construction, but shall be subject to lease from PNR with a monthly rate of 2% of the zonal value provided by the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR). The Contractor shall coordinate with PNR and establish the lease contract separately for the use of the PNR land outside the NSCR ROW.</p> <p>All leased land expenses, including construction yards, shall be part of the Provisional Sum and shall not be subject to the Contractor's overhead expenses.</p>
2		Please confirm if the Bidder is exempted in paying business tax in the respective Local Government Unit (LGUs) of the project.	No, the Contractor is not exempted from paying all applicable taxes. However, please refer to item 3 of Annex "A", GBB No. 7. The assumption by the Employer will apply to Japanese companies only.
3		Please confirm if the Bidder's Subcontractors/Suppliers are exempted in paying business tax in the respective Local Government Unit (LGUs) of the project.	<p>No, the Bidder's subcontractors/suppliers are not exempted from paying all applicable taxes.</p> <p>However, the Employer will assume business tax for the Japanese suppliers and contractors related to the Project.</p> <p>Japanese suppliers and contractors mean Japanese nationals or juridical persons incorporated and registered in Japan, and which have the appropriate facilities for producing and providing goods and services in Japan, and actually conduct their business there.</p>
<i>Volume IA, Part 1 – Bill of Quantities</i>			
4	Pages BOQ-26, BOQ-43 and BOQ-60,	<i>Reference: Method of Measurement for Expansion Joint</i>	Measurement should be sight line width.

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	Expansion Joint and Joint Cover Assemblies	As specified in General Bid Bulletin no. 5, Annex A, item no. 4,5 & 6, expansion joint shall be measured in square meters. May the Contractor understand the width basis for measurement is the gap width or the sight line width. Kindly confirm.	