Republic of the Philippines DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Energy Center, Rizal Drive Bonifacio Global City (BGC) Taguig City, Metro Manila

CY 2024 CONTRACT FOR PABX SYSTEM MAINTENANCE SERVICES

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:		
This Contract made and entered into this	day of	2024 at Bonifacio
Global City (BGC), Taguig City, Metro Manila by a	and between:	

The **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY (DOE)**, a government agency created under Republic Act (R.A.) No. 7638, as amended, with principal office address at Energy Center, Rizal Drive, Bonifacio Global City (BGC), Taguig City, Metro Manila, represented in this Act by its **Director** for Administrative Services, **ELISA B. MORALES**., hereinafter referred to as the "CLIENT";

and

EBDI Philippines, Inc., a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, with office address at 2F UPRC III Building, 2289 Don Chino Roces Avenue, City of Makati, represented in this Act by its **Sales Director**, **RIMEL R. POBLACION**, hereinafter referred to as the **"CONTRACTOR"**.

CLIENT and **CONTRACTOR** are hereinafter collectively referred to as "PARTIES" and individually as "PARTY".

WITNESSETH: That -

WHEREAS, **CLIENT** is in need of the services of a duly licensed and reputable company to maintain its one (1) unit Alcatel-Lucent OmniPCX Enterprise Private Automatic Branch Exchange (PABX) System installed at its Main Building located inside the Energy Center, Rizal Drive, Bonifacio Global City (BGC), Taguig City, Metro Manila;

WHEREAS, **CONTRACTOR** is an authorized distributor of Alcatel-Lucent OmniPCX Enterprise System in the Philippines as well as spare parts thereof and is highly recommended by Alcatel-Lucent to render maintenance and after sales services to

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* CLIENT as indicated in the Certification issued on 18 January 2020 by Alcatel-Lucent Philippines, Inc.;

WHEREAS, CONTRACTOR offered to furnish the above services needed by CLIENT and CLIENT is willing to accept said offer of CONTRACTOR;

WHEREAS, upon the recommendation of the **CLIENT's** Bids and Awards Committee (BAC) through its BAC Resolution No. 148 dated 09 May 2024 and approved by the Department's Undersecretary, this Contract has been awarded to **CONTRACTOR** through the use of the Alternative Method of Procurement (AMP), in particular, Direct Contracting, pursuant to Section 50 (c) of the revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act (RA) No. 9184 otherwise known as the Government Procurement Reform Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises, and their mutual covenants hereinafter set forth, the **PARTIES** have agreed as follows:

 CONTRACTOR agrees to provide on-site and remote Preventative Maintenance (PM) services to be rendered quarterly to CLIENT's PABX System hereinafter referred to as the EQUIPMENT and as described below:

ONE (1) UNIT ALCATEL-LUCENT OmniPCX Enterprise PABX System

Digital Trunks El 1 : 30

Analog Trunk Interface : 4

Analog Local Interface : 304

Digital/IP Local Interface : 51

Operator Console/PC Base : 1

The PM coverage includes, but are not limited to, the following:

- · Software check, such as, size of files, clean-up of data
- · Hardware performance check, when applicable
- Creation and safekeeping of backups (system and database)
- System checks for safety or redundancy mechanisms
- · Trunk status checks
- CLIENT agrees to give CONTRACTOR a thirty (30)-day advance notice in case
 of transfer, sale or conveyance of the ownership, possession or administration
 of the building and premises where the EQUIPMENT is installed;

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CONTRACTOR agrees to provide Corrective Maintenance (CM) in response to service calls received from CLIENT and as such necessitated by findings during PM activities. CM shall be rendered any day between Monday to Sunday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, and shall consist of on-line and/or on-site technical support for problem resolution, including repair or replacement of faulty parts, such terminals/telephone units, modem, line trunk, and common control cards, connecting box, power supplies, and the operator console. Upon notification of CLIENT, CONTRACTOR shall also provide remote technical assistance within one (1) hour after the reported trouble and on-site intervention within four (4) hours if remote action failed to solve the problem. If the problem is the result of the EQUIPMENT's hardware anomaly, the CONTRACTOR shall provide an advanced replacement unit (without cost) within one (1) working day from the time such problem has been diagnosed and will pull out the defective unit for repair. Except for terminals/telephone units, the replacement unit shall become the property of the CLIENT, while the original defective unit, when repaired and tested, shall become the CONTRACTOR's property. In case the defective parts are found to be irreparable, the CLIENT agrees to defray the cost of replacement part/s subject to Provision No. 6 of this Contract. However, the CONTRACTOR must first secure the CLIENT's written approval of CONTRACTOR's quotation for the necessary replacement parts before the actual initiation of work.

The following are excluded from CM:

- a. New installation and/or alterations of as-built plans;
- b. Assistance in testing/POC (Proof of Concept) of 3rd party equipment supplied by other vendors;
- c. Provision of software updates or upgrades, except for software bug fixes;
- d. Repair of phased-out hardware and terminals/phones;
- e. Conduct of traffic statistics;
- f. Repair of defective cards, terminals/phones and power supplies to be undertaken at EBDI Laboratory and Repair Center or at ALCATEL-LUCENT's factory, as necessary;
- g. Support for outdated/phased-out Software Release;
- h. Software Support, if not covered by the Alcatel-Lucent Enterprise Software Premier Support (SPS);

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- Supply of consumables, such as, backup batteries, telephone cords and blocks, connection cables and connectors; and
- j. Cost to dispatch terminals/telephone units outside Metro Manila.
- 4. This Contract for PABX Maintenance Services shall be effective for a period of two (2) quarters starting on 01 July 2024 until 31 December 2024 or to start within the specified date indicated in the pertinent Notice to Proceed (NTP) to be issued by the Procurement Management Division (PMD) of CLIENT after the Contract has been signed by the PARTIES and notarized. This shall be effective within the afore-cited period unless sooner terminated by either PARTY upon thirty (30) days prior written notice. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that CLIENT or CONTRACTOR is prevented from doing business due to war, civil commotion, strikes, acts of God, force majeure, or any other cause beyond its control, this Contract shall be deemed suspended and its duration extended for a period equal to the period of suspension thereof, unless, CLIENT terminates this Contract by reason of such force majeure causes;
- 5. For and in consideration of the services to be rendered by CONTRACTOR to CLIENT in accordance with this Contract, CLIENT shall pay CONTRACTOR the quarterly amount of Fifty-Three Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-Five Pesos and 17/100 (P53,695.17) or a total amount of One Hundred Seven Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Pesos and 34/100 (P107,390.34) inclusive of any and all kinds of fees, charges, and taxes, for the whole contract period covering 01 July 2024 to 31 December 2024 or as computed thereafter reckoned from the effectivity date as indicated in the NTP. CONTRACTOR shall submit quarterly bills for the services rendered on or before the second day of the succeeding month of that quarter, together with all the supporting documents including a Certificate from CONTRACTOR and acknowledged by CLIENT's General Services Division (GSD) concerned personnel that such services have been rendered including oncall (emergency services) for a particular quarter where payment is claimed;
- 6. CONTRACTOR shall provide CLIENT a six (6)-month warranty from the time the replacement parts are installed whereby any damage and/or malfunction of the replacement parts within the warranty period shall be repaired and/or parts be replaced immediately without cost to CLIENT. This warranty, however, does not cover instances where damage or malfunction or dysfunction of the EQUIPMENT





- is caused or brought about by gross negligence, fraud, bad faith, malice or wanton act of CLIENT or any other cause beyond CONTRACTOR's control;
- 7. As much as possible, disputes shall be settled amicably between the PARTIES. However, in the event either PARTY to this Contract shall take judicial action, the PARTIES agree that venue for purposes thereof shall be laid exclusively with the proper courts in Taguig City, Metro Manila with the exclusions of other courts and that the writs of attachment, injunction, replevin, seizure, etc. issued thereby may be served and enforced anywhere in the Philippines;
- 8. The **PARTIES** agree that **CONTRACTOR** may assign whatever interest or right it may have under this Contract to any third party upon prior written notice and consent of **CLIENT**;
- 9. In case of breach or violation of any terms and conditions of this Contract, CONTRACTOR shall pay CLIENT an equivalent amount of One Tenth of One Percent (0.1%) of the TCP per day of violation. Likewise, in any litigation wherein the court ruled against CONTRACTOR, CONTRACTOR shall pay CLIENT the attorney's fee and cost of the suit which shall not exceed twenty five percent (25%) of the TCP;
- 10. CONTRACTOR warrants that it or any of its officials or representatives has/have not given or promised to give any money or gift to any employee/official of CLIENT to influence the decision regarding the awarding of this Contract, nor CONTRACTOR has, or its officials or representatives have exerted or utilized any unlawful influence on any employee/official of CLIENT to solicit or secure this Contract through an agreement to pay commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee. CONTRACTOR hereby agrees that breach of any of these warranties shall be sufficient ground for CLIENT at its discretion either to terminate or cancel this Contract or deduct such commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fees from the TCP without prejudice to CONTRACTOR's or any other person's civil or criminal liability under the Anti-Graft Law and other applicable laws;
- 11. CONTRACTOR is an independent business organization and all technicians that are assigned to perform the required services under this Contract shall be deemed to be employees of CONTRACTOR, and in no case shall be deemed to be

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It is the sole responsibility of CONTRACTOR to comply with Labor laws and rules 12. and regulations insofar as they apply to the technicians assigned by CONTRACTOR to CLIENT. CONTRACTOR shall hold CLIENT free and harmless from any and all liabilities, claims or actions arising from such labor laws, rules and regulations as well as from any accident that befall the technician/s assigned to **CLIENT** while in the performance of their duties.

In case of labor disputes involving the technicians assigned by CONTRACTOR to CLIENT, CONTRACTOR holds CLIENT free and harmless from any expenses incurred in connection with said labor disputes. In the event that CLIENT will incur liabilities and/or expenses in connection with said labor disputes, CLIENT shall immediately proceed against any payment that may be due or owing to CONTRACTOR and/or the Performance Bond of CONTRACTOR as provided in the next succeeding paragraph;

- 13. Any or all taxes, duties, fees and charges and other legal exactions arising by virtue of this Contract shall be for the account of CONTRACTOR. It is further understood that CLIENT shall deduct and withhold the applicable withholding taxes from its payments to CONTRACTOR under this Contract pursuant to the requirements of the law;
- 14. In the event of breach of any provision of this Contract by CONTRACTOR, or of a valid claim of CLIENT against CONTRACTOR, CLIENT shall have the irrevocable authority to retain or automatically set-off and apply without notice all funds, credits, payments, securities, money and/or accounts receivable which are in control and possession of CLIENT that may be due or owing to CONTRACTOR;
- CONTRACTOR is aware that CLIENT is a government agency and as such, is 15. subject to certain legal requirements and procedures not normally required of private corporations. CONTRACTOR, nevertheless, agrees that whenever such

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- legal requirements and procedures apply to this Contract and affect its validity, effectivity or implementation, this Contract shall be considered amended accordingly so as to enable CLIENT to comply with such requirements. For its part, CLIENT undertakes to exert its best efforts to immediately comply with the requirements in the most equitable manner consistent with good faith;
- 16. CONTRACTOR shall not be responsible for any accident and/or damages (consequential or otherwise) to person/s and/or properties in the operation of the above-described PABX System except when such accident and/or damages were directly caused by the negligence or omission of CONTRACTOR and/or its technicians in the performance of the work under this Contract. Likewise, if CONTRACTOR and/or its technicians have contributed in any manner in said accident and/or damage, CONTRACTOR's liability shall be limited to such contributory fault or negligence. CONTRACTOR hereby agrees to indemnify CLIENT, its guests or personnel for any death or injury that may be suffered, or pay or replace the value of property lost or damage as the case may be, not later than thirty (30) calendar days after a formal claim has been filed against it by CLIENT;
- 17. **CONTRACTOR** warrants that it shall obtain all necessary permits and licenses required by national or local authorities, or by civilian or military authorities, in order to continue operating legally;
- 18. This Contract may be amended upon the written agreement of the PARTIES;
- 19. If any term or condition of this Contract is held invalid or contrary to law, the validity of the other terms and conditions shall not be affected thereby.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the **PARTIES** hereto have signed this instrument on the date and place first above written.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

(CLIENT)

By:

Dir. ELISA B. MORALES

Director, Administrative Services

EBDI PHILIPPINES, INC. (CONTRACTOR)

By:

RIMEL R. POBLACION

Sales Director

Signed in the presence of:

Engr. JERICHO O. BRAGADO Chief, General Services Division MICHAEL ANDREW C. SERRANO

Business Solutions Specialist

HELEN C. ROLDAN

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BEFORE ME, a Notary Public in and for ____MAKATI CITY, Metro Manila on this _____ day of ______3 1 2024 personally appeared:

ELISA B. MORALES, with Driver License No. N25-99-059351 in her capacity as Director for Administrative Services of the **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**;

and

RIMEL R. POBLACION, with UMID Identification Number CRN – <u>0033-0880062-4</u> in his capacity as Sales Director of **EBDI Philippines**, **Inc.**

known to me and to me known to be the same persons who executed the foregoing instrument and they acknowledged to me that the same is their own free and voluntary act and deed and that of the office or corporation which they respectively represent.

This instrument refers to CY2024 PABX System Maintenance Services Contract between the Department of Energy (DOE) and EBDI Philippines, Inc. and consists of nine (9) pages including this page on which this acknowledgment is written and all pages hereof had been signed by the **PARTIES** and their witnesses, and stamped with my notarial seal.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL, at the place and on the date first above

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ANNEX "A"

RULES AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO CONTRACTOR'S WORKERS' OFFENSES

The acts or omissions listed hereunder constitute negligence of duty or imprudence which shows lack of moral behavior or paucity of discipline. The CONTRACTOR shall impose or apply the appropriate penalties or sanctions or corrective measures on its highly skilled specialty trade workers assigned at DOE who commit such misbehavior or misconduct.

1. Conduct and Behavior

- a. Commission of an act which is or may constitute a crime;
- b. Holding of unauthorized meeting at DOE's premises that would adversely affect DOE's operation/activities;
- c. Commission of an illegal or immoral act within DOE's premises;
- d. Carrying prohibited weapons or banned objects within DOE's premises;
- e. Fighting or attempting bodily harm on any person except in selfdefense while within DOE's premises or while performing work for DOE whether within or outside its premises;
- Malicious mischief or horseplay resulting in injury to persons or destruction of DOE's property for which it may be held liable;
- Intimidations or coercion of fellow CONTRACTOR's workers, DOE's employees, customers, guests and/or any person, in any manner which adversely affects DOE's interests;
- h. Concealing a disease which endangers fellow CONTRACTOR's workers or DOE's employees and guests;
- Refusal to submit to or failure to meet security requirements of DOE or being in the opinion of DOE, a poor security risk;
- Intentionally damaging DOE's property or any property for which the CONTRACTOR may be held liable; and
- Failure to carry out instructions of superiors and/or DOE's GSD Chief or his authorized representative. Further, entertaining personal requests relating to specialty trade works not approved by the GSD Chief.

2. **Dishonesty**

- Unauthorized use of DOE's resources: a.
- Stealing and attempting to steal from **DOE**, its employees, guests or b. fellow CONTRACTOR's workers;

- c. Offering or receiving money or other valuable consideration in exchange for a job, better working place, or any change in working conditions, and/or refusal to be rotated to other areas within **DOE's** premises;
- d. Substituting material and/or object with intent to gain;
- e. Obtaining or attempting to obtain **DOE's** funds, equipment, products, supplies and materials through fraudulent means from **DOE's** suppliers, warehouses, plants or stations, and other assigned work places; and
- f. Defrauding **DOE** in any manner.

3. Alcoholic Beverages or Prohibited/Regulated Drugs

- Unauthorized use or possession of prohibited/regulated drugs within DOE premises;
- b. Drinking liquor within **DOE** premises except during official occasions and locations authorized by **DOE**;
- c. Reporting for work under the influence of liquor and/or prohibited/regulated drugs; and
- d. Selling or inducing any person to take prohibited/regulated drugs within **DOE's** premises except when duly authorized for medical reasons.

4. Safety

- a. Failure to observe DOE's safety rules and regulations;
- b. Carelessness with regard to safety of fellow **CONTRACTOR's** workers or **DOE's** employees, guests and visitors;
- After having access to information, failure to report immediately, an accident or injury involving fellow CONTRACTOR's workers, DOE employees or damage to DOE property;
- d. Smoking in "No Smoking" areas within **DOE's** premises or property;
- e. Carrying matches or lighters, or other than safety matches or lighters with close covers, or having open lights or fires within prescribed limits where such practice is forbidden within **DOE** premises or property;
- f. Removing safety devices from **DOE's** machinery, equipment or any other property without permission;
- g. Driving DOE vehicle recklessly or at excessive speed, or at speed above the area speed limit or driving any other vehicle in the same manner within DOE premises;
- h. Allowing unauthorized persons to operate **DOE's** vehicle or equipment when the same is assigned to him/her;
- i. Driving under the influence of liquor or prohibited/regulated drugs;

- j. Intentionally destroying or damaging **DOE's** property or other equipment;
- k. Failure to wear safety attire when prescribed within DOE's premises;
- I. Staying after work in **DOE's** premises unless otherwise authorized by the Chief of General Services Division (GSD);
- m. Unauthorized entry in restricted areas/office/closed rooms within DOE premises; and

5. Other Acts or Omissions

- a. Improper or non-wearing of CONTRACTOR's uniform when working at DOE's premises and/or in DOE's other sites;
- Use of stairwell in going up and down DOE's building/s except when handling heavy items/documents/ equipment wherein the elevator can be used;
- c. Discourtesy to **DOE's** personnel, guests, visitors and other **SERVICE PROVIDER's** workers;
- d. Use of **DOE's** telephone direct line in placing outside call without proper written authorization from the GSD Chief of **DOE**; and
- e. Loafing to other areas where he/she is not assigned and/or unauthorized entry to offices or closed areas at **DOE's** premises.
