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SUBJECT: SANCTIONS FOR NON-SUBMISSION OF BIDS BY PREQUALIFIED CON-

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It has been noted that in most public biddings conducted for civil works and/or supplies of this Department, contractors/suppliers after being prequalified and issued tender documents for a particular project indiscriminately fail to submit bids or withdraw their participation therefrom without valid reasons, which often result in the failure of biddings.

In order not to defeat the purpose of public bidding, prequalified contractors/suppliers who secured tender documents for a particular project should participate therein. Those who intend not to do so should inform the Department in writing before or during the pre-bid conference, or at least five (5) days before the bidding date, citing the reason/s therefor. In this connection, the Department reserves the right to determine the validity of reason/s cited.

Effective immediately, the Department shall henceforth consider non-submission of bids without justifiable reason by prequalified contractors/suppliers who are issued tender documents for a particular project as an offense punishable under Clause IB 2.5 B 3, which provides:

"3. Other acts of the contractors which directly or indirectly tend to defeat the purpose of public bidding."

This order modifies, amends or revokes all issuances inconsistent herewith and takes effect immediately.

NERY FERRER Secretary

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