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RE: REQUEST FOR PROCUREMENT RECORDS AND INFORMATION ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF OFFICE BUILDING IN ABUJA

Please refer to your letter dated 16th June, 2015 on the above subject matter.

In fulfillment of your request, we hereby forward details of Procurement record for the construction of Office Building in Abuja (Lot II) as specified in your request. It is pertinent to note the overview of events leading to the award of contract for the above mentioned project.

Consequent upon the approval of funds for Capital Projects under 2014 appropriation, the Council advertised for interested bidders/Contractors in two National Dailies and Tenders Journal on Monday 28th July 2014.

The Opening of Tender Documents was conducted on 18th September, 2014 in the presence of all bidders, Civil society organizations and relevant professional bodies. The sub-committee of the Tenders Board perused all the documents submitted, evaluated all the bids and presented recommendations/report to the Tenders Board. Following the recommendation, the Tenders Board met, considered and awarded the contract for the construction of office building in Abuja FCT to Metrodec Design & Construction Ltd for the sum of ₦246,533,266.96.

In line with the provisions of the Public Procurement Act 2007 section 54 (1) etal, Messrs Seda Nigeria Limited appealed for administrative review on the conduct of Lot II and III i.e. construction of office building in Abuja and Lagos respectively.

The Bureau of Public Procurement (BPP) as the regulatory agency intervened as required by the act and conducted a review of the process. After due consideration of representations of all stakeholders and thorough compliance check, Seda Nigeria Ltd was adjudged to have met the mandatory requirements for the construction of Abuja NECO Office; hence the Bureau directed/decided that:

- (i) the contract awarded to Metrodec Design and Construction Ltd and Arconsult Nigeria Ltd respectively should be withdrawn, reasons adduced for this action is contained in BPP's letter attached;
- (ii) the contracts for Lot II & III be re-awarded to Seda Nigeria Ltd and Dan Maikarfi Ltd respectively;
- (iii) the suspension earlier placed by the Bureau has been lifted and petition closed;
- (iv) the Council should forward documentary evidence of compliance with these directives within two weeks of receipt of their letter

The Council carried out all the necessary actions aimed towards the execution of the directives of the Bureau of Public Procurement (BPP). These actions are attached as Procurement Records (Pages 159 - 214).

Presently, the final contract value approved by the Bureau for Lot II (Abuja Office building) is represented below:

S/N	Contractor	Description	Lot	Total Contract value
1.	Seda Nig Ltd	Construction of Office Building	II	242,370,430.47

Letter of award has been issued to **Seda Nigeria Ltd**, which has been accepted and the mobilization fee is being processed upon provision of an Advance Payment Guarantee (APG) by the Company.

We hope that our response and documents made available will assist your organization in pursuit of your mandate.

Please accept the assurances of our highest regards.



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For: Registrar/Chief Executive