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Revision to a Request for Supply
Arrangement - Révision à une demande
pour un arrangement en matière
d'approvisionnement

The referenced document is hereby revised; unless otherwise indicated, all other terms and conditions of the Solicitation remain the same.

Ce document est par la présente révisé; sauf indication contraire, les modalités de l'invitation demeurent les mêmes.

Comments - Commentaires

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Title - Sujet Tech Investigation Eng Support TIES	
Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation F7048-090005/D	Date 2012-09-21
Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client F7048-090005	Amendment No. - N° modif. 008
File No. - N° de dossier 040ml.F7048-090005	CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME
GETS Reference No. - N° de référence de SEAG PW-\$SML-040-23124	
Date of Original Request for Supply Arrangement 2012-08-30 Date de demande pour un arrangement en matière d'app. originale	
Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin at - à 02:00 PM on - le 2012-09-26	
Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à: Hicks, Angela	Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur 040ml
Telephone No. - N° de téléphone (819) 956-8259 ()	FAX No. - N° de FAX (819) 956-0897
Delivery Required - Livraison exigée	
Destination - of Goods, Services, and Construction: Destination - des biens, services et construction:	
Security - Sécurité This revision does not change the security requirements of the solicitation. Cette révision ne change pas les besoins en matière de sécurité de l'invitation.	

Instructions: See Herein

Instructions: Voir aux présentes

Acknowledgement copy required	Yes - Oui	No - Non
Accusé de réception requis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Offeror hereby acknowledges this revision to its Offer. Le proposant constate, par la présente, cette révision à son offre.		
Signature	Date	
Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of offeror. (type or print) Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du proposant. (taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie)		
For the Minister - Pour le Ministre		

Amendment 008

THIS AMENDMENT TO THE SOLICITATION IS RAISED TO PUBLISH SET NO. 8 OF BIDDERS QUESTIONS AND CANADA'S ANSWERS. AND TO MODIFY PART 5 OF THE RFSA.

1. Question and Answers Set No. 8

Q28 With respect to the response given to Question 26, "In the absence of compelling reasons, Canada will grant no extension to the solicitation closing date...", we believe the following reasons are compelling:

a) companies enter the TIES marketplace on a constant basis and so for those companies, in the interest of fairness and equitable treatment, we reiterate our request for an extension to the bid closing date.

b) the complexity of how the evaluation is structured creates additional challenges for new entrants and this is recognized in the RFSA document itself. Section 2.2 of the Supplier Instructions recommends starting at the end of the evaluation methodology and working backwards.

c) An extension to the closing date does not negatively impact the Canadian Coast Guard nor existing SA holders as TIES requirements continue to be satisfied while this new process is conducted.

Therefore we once again request an extension to October 16, 2012.

A28 Again, Canada finds no compelling reason in the Bidder's question and statements to grant another extension to the Solicitation Closing date. Please refer to Answer 26.

Q29 Further to the reply received for Question 16 wherein it stated: "In response to the first question no, international trade agreements do not apply to this RFSA. In response to the second question yes, under the AIT the Canadian Content Policy applies to this RFSA."

The Canadian Content Policy itself states:

"The Policy applies only to procurements carried out by Supply and Services Canada (SSC), which is now a part of Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC). Therefore, this policy will normally apply to goods and services contracting carried out by Acquisitions Branch, except for those categories of procurements which were not done by the former SSC. Furthermore, the Policy does not apply when another government departments does its own contracting and would not normally apply to construction procurement that had been previously carried out by the former Public Works Canada."

The RFSA is creating a list of suppliers with whom Canadian Coast Guard will be doing its own contracting via individual RFP processes. The RFSA itself is not a procurement. Therefore in accordance with the Canadian Content Policy wording, The Policy does not apply. Therefore please explain how the resulting procurements carried out by Canadian Coast Guard could be restricted to Canadian Services in accordance with The Canadian Content Policy?

- A29 This RFSA originates from PWGSC and PWGSC is the Supply Arrangement Authority. CCG is not doing its own contracting in this case. Please refer to Answer 16.
- Q30 Are existing per diem rates for current CCG TIES SA holders included in the calculation for determining the financial compliancy of new bidders or are new bidders maximum per diem rates only used in the financial compliancy calculation?
- A30 This question is irrelevant to the current procurement process. The Bidder is requested to submit it's financial proposal in accordance with the RFSA. Please refer to Answer 22.
- Q31 In Annex B, section 3.2, are bidders required to propose resources for each of the 8 occupational levels for each Area of Expertise applied for? So for 1 area of expertise 8 resources, for 2 areas of expertise 16 resources, etc. understanding of course that a single resource can appear at both his and a lower level as well as in another discipline both at the higher and lower level if qualified?
- A31 No. No. Please refer to Answer 14.
- Q32 Please clarify the definition of "directors". Does this include anyone who carries the title of Director within the company?
- A32 The Bidder refers to Part 5, article 1.1. The answer is no. It is not everybody with the title of director within the company but as a pre-award condition, the Bidder is required to provide the list of names of individuals who are currently on the board of directors within the company, and the buyer may request to obtain a consent form from the individual, as needed.

2. **Modify article 1.1 (b) at Part 5 as follows:**

Delete the text in it's entirety.

Insert: by submitting a bid the Bidder agrees that if requested by Canada it will provide a Consent to a Criminal Record Verification form (PWGSC-TPSGC 229) for each individual on the list required in (a) of this article.