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SOLICITATION AMENDMENT
MODIFICATION DE L'INVITATION

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

Vendor/Firm Name and Address
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Issuing Office - Bureau de distribution
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Title - Sujet FURNITURE SYSTEMS & ENCLOSED OFFICE	
Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation EP731-120478/A	Amendment No. - N° modif. 004
Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client 20120478	Date 2012-03-30
GETS Reference No. - N° de référence de SEAG PW-\$\$PQ-419-57995	
File No. - N° de dossier pq419.EP731-120478	CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME
Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin at - à 02:00 PM on - le 2012-04-13	Time Zone Fuseau horaire Eastern Daylight Saving Time EDT
F.O.B. - F.A.B. Plant-Usine: <input type="checkbox"/> Destination: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other-Autre: <input type="checkbox"/>	
Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à: Gauthier, Claire	Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur pq419
Telephone No. - N° de téléphone (819) 956-0938 ()	FAX No. - N° de FAX (819) 956-5706
Destination - of Goods, Services, and Construction: Destination - des biens, services et construction:	

Instructions: See Herein

Instructions: Voir aux présentes

Delivery Required - Livraison exigée	Delivery Offered - Livraison proposée
Vendor/Firm Name and Address Raison sociale et adresse du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur	
Telephone No. - N° de téléphone Facsimile No. - N° de télécopieur	
Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of Vendor/Firm (type or print) Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du fournisseur/ de l'entrepreneur (taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie)	
Signature	Date

This amendment is raised to address questions raised during the solicitation period, to clarify the closing date and to modify annex A-4.

On page 2 of the solicitation:

DELETE: Solicitation closes at 2:00pm on 2012-03-18

INSERT: Solicitation closes at 2:00pm on 2012-04-13

Q87. The RFP specification asks for 8 wire 3 circuit electrical and 1 circuit per workstation. In a workstation pod of 4 or 6, you will need 2 ceiling power pole harnesses in the same power pole to accommodate 1 circuit per workstation. Is it acceptable to DND to put 2 ceiling harnesses down one pole? If no please provide acceptable solution.

A87. Since the telecom and the power cables have distinct poles, PWGSC considers it would be acceptable to put 2 ceiling harnesses down one pole to obtain the one circuit per workstation. It is still the bidders obligation to meet all related construction standards for the workstation solution that will be proposed. The solution also needs to be viable for the electrical connections by the electrician.

Q88. Since this is a mandatory requirement, we want to be sure we are supplying exactly what is required. The Mandatory Technical Specifications (MTS) and the Bid Preparation Instructions on page 5 are contradictory. The MTS requires electronic pdf files but the Bid Preparation Instructions states 3 hard copies are mandatory. Do you want printed copies of the electronic pdf files?

A88. Please provide electronic PDF files and as per bid instructions 3 hard copies .

Q89. Closed Office #1. The drawing shows one (1) lateral file, but the description says two (2) lateral files. Please confirm the requirement is for only one (1) lateral file.

A89. Qty. 1 filing cabinet which will be 2 high as per "type 3" in the specs.

Q90. Closed Offices #2. The drawing shows one (1) lateral file, but the description says two (2) lateral files. Please confirm the requirement is for only one (1) lateral file.

A90. Qty. 1 filing cabinet which will be 2 high as per "type 3" in the specs.

Q91. Please review the request for overhead off-modular bins. Off-modular overhead bins typically add additional cost for most manufacturers' product lines, and with most manufacturers' lines they don't allow for bins to be installed at lower heights. Lower heights are advantageous to end-users who are shorter than average or who have physical limitations, making access to items more convenient and ergonomic. Off-modular bins generally move left or right, not up or down.

Furthermore, using a bin width equal to the width of the panel it is installed on (or slightly longer than the panel it is installed on) typically saves cost vs. off-modular bins, will effectively provide end-user additional storage based on the panel layouts proposed, and provide height adjustability. Additionally, an on-modular solution can mount on a panel where the power & communications poles enter the workstation, increasing placement flexibility.

Please explain the rationale for accepting only off-modular overhead bins, rather than evaluating submissions with on-modular overhead storage with the benefits described above.

A91. In reference to typical workstation layouts #1,#3,#4 and #5, PWGSC will accept on modular solution for overhead storage cabinets. Only the panel section where the Overhead Storage Cabinets are located; bidders may change the panel widths to suit on modular overhead storage cabinets, provided the overall length of the workstation footprint does not change and there is space for a 457mm (18") wide 4 drawer legal filing cabinet (cabinet does not form part of this requirement).

DELETE : Annex A-4

INSERT:

Annex A-4

Delivery and Installation Schedule

The Work will be carried out in accordance with the Schedule listed below, at 455 Blvd. de la Carrière, Gatineau, Québec. The dates in the Schedule are estimated and may change if authorized by the Technical Authority in the approved Work Authorization Form (WAF). Canada will endeavour to give the Contractor two to six weeks lead time for the delivery and installation of the furniture for the B Phases, however, Canada may need to vary the lead times and the final dates will be confirmed in the approved WAF.

Sequence of the Work: The installation of the panels and poles and all furniture (open and closed areas) will be installed in the following phased manner:

- a. The Contractor will first deliver and install all panels and poles on a floor by floor basis per the phases listed below;
- b. Canada will be responsible for cabling and ceiling tiles installation;
- c. upon completion of cabling/ceiling tiles installation, the Contractor will deliver and install the remainder of the furniture.

Schedule			
Phases & the Required Furniture	Floor Number for Delivery and Installation of the Furniture by Phase	Delivery to Floor	Period for Installation of Furniture
		<i>Estimated Dates. Final dates will be listed in the approved WAF</i>	<i>Estimated Dates. Final dates will be listed in the approved WAF</i>
Phase 1A •Panels and Poles	2	May 31, 2012	June 11, 2012
	3	June 5, 2012	June 13, 2012
	4	June 7, 2012	June 15, 2012
Phase 1B •Worksurfaces and balance of furniture	2	June 19, 2012	July 3, 2012
	3	July 12, 2012	July 25, 2012
	4	July 26, 2012	August 9, 2012
Phase 2A •Panels and Poles	5	June 22, 2012	July 4, 2012
	6	July 5, 2012	July 13, 2012
	7	July 16, 2012	July 24, 2012
	8	July 25, 2012	August 2, 2012
Phase 2B •Worksurfaces and balance of furniture	5	July 13, 2012	July 26, 2012
	6	July 24, 2012	August 7, 2012
	7	August 2, 2012	August 16, 2012
	8	August 14, 2012	August 27, 2012
Phase 3A •Panels and Poles	9	August 3, 2012	August 10, 2012
	10	August 13, 2012	August 17, 2012
	11	August 22, 2012	August 29, 2012
	12	September 5, 2012	September 12, 2012
Phase 3B •Worksurfaces and balance of furniture	9	September 14, 2012	September 27, 2012
	10	September 21, 2012	October 5, 2012
	11	September 10, 2012	September 24, 2012
	12	October 17, 2012	October 31, 2012

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS SOLICITATION REMAIN THE SAME