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**TPSGC**  
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**Gatineau, Québec K1A 0S5**  
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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**  
**Raison sociale et adresse du**  
**fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur**

**Issuing Office - Bureau de distribution**  
Vehicles & Industrial Products Division  
11 Laurier St./11, rue Laurier  
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Gatineau, Québec K1A 0S5

<b>Title - Sujet</b> COMMUTER BUS	
<b>Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation</b> W8476-134010/A	<b>Amendment No. - N° modif.</b> 001
<b>Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client</b> W8476-134010	<b>Date</b> 2012-10-05
<b>GETS Reference No. - N° de référence de SEAG</b> PW-\$\$HP-512-61219	
<b>File No. - N° de dossier</b> hp512.W8476-134010	<b>CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME</b>
<b>Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin</b> <b>at - à 02:00 PM</b> <b>on - le 2012-10-25</b>	
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<b>F.O.B. - F.A.B.</b> <b>Plant-Usine:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Destination:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Other-Autre:</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à:</b> Serra, Donna	<b>Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur</b> hp512
<b>Telephone No. - N° de téléphone</b> (819) 956-3944 ( )	<b>FAX No. - N° de FAX</b> ( ) -
<b>Destination - of Goods, Services, and Construction:</b> <b>Destination - des biens, services et construction:</b>	

**Instructions: See Herein**

**Instructions: Voir aux présentes**

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

Solicitation amendment 001 is raised to separate the requirement into two distinct Configurations to enable bidders to provide a bid on only one or multiple Configurations . The RFP is amended as follows:

## **AT PART 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Delete in its entirety:**

### **2. Requirement**

**Insert:**

### **2. Requirement**

Canada is seeking proposals to procure:

- 2.1 Nine (9) Commuter Buses - Configuration A and related items as described in Annex “A” - Pricing and in accordance with Annex “B” - Purchase Description Commuter Buses - Configuration A.

Five (5) Commuter Buses - Configuration B and related items as described in Annex “A” - Pricing and in accordance with Annex “C” - Purchase Description Commuter Buses - Configuration B.

- 2.2 Irrevocable options identified in Annex “A”- Pricing.

2.2.1 The options may only be exercised by the Contracting Authority and will be evidenced, for administrative purposes only, through a contract amendment.

2.2.2 The options may be exercised in whole or in part and on more than one occasion at the sole discretion of Canada, up to the maximum quantity identified in Annex “A” - Pricing.

2.2.3 The options may be exercised within twelve (12) months after contract award

## **AT PART 3- BID PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS**

**Delete in its entirety:**

### **2. Section I: Technical Bid**

**Insert:****2. Section I: Technical Bid**

In their technical bid, bidders should explain and demonstrate how they propose to meet the requirements and how they will carry out the Work.

Bidders must complete and submit by the bid closing date and time the following;

- 1) Appendix “1” - Technical Information Questionnaire - Commuter Bus - Configuration A;  
and/or
- 2) Appendix 2 - Technical Information Questionnaire - Commuter Bus - Configuration B.

**Delete in its entirety:****3. Section II: Financial Bid****Insert:****3. Section II: Financial Bid**

Bidders must submit their prices in Annex “A”- Pricing in accordance with the Basis of Payment described in **Part 6 - RESULTING CONTRACT CLAUSES**, at **Clause 6.1 Basis of Payment**.

Bidders must submit firm prices for one **or** multiple configurations. However, bidders must submit firm prices for all items, except for optional extended warranty, of each configuration for which they submit prices. The configurations are as follows:

Configuration A - Commuter Bus

Configuration B - Commuter Bus

**3.1 Exchange Rate Fluctuation**

- 3.1.1 Unless otherwise specified in the bid solicitation, bids must be in Canadian currency.

3.1.2 Bidders may request Canada to assume the risk for exchange rate fluctuation. This request must be specifically made at time of bidding.

3.1.3 The foreign currency component is defined as the element of the price that will be directly affected by exchange rate fluctuations. It could include the net price FOB foreign manufacturer's plant, costs associated with applicable duty, excise tax, Goods and Services Tax or Harmonized Sales Tax, if applicable, entry fees, transportation costs or delivery charges payable in a foreign currency, and any other charges associated with being the importer of record if they originated from and are required to be paid in a foreign currency.

3.1.4 The foreign value of the foreign currency component of the bid or negotiated price must be provided before contract award. Form PWGSC-TPSGC 9411, Claim for Exchange Rate Adjustments, may be used for this purpose. If milestone payments are proposed, it is recommended to indicate on the above form the foreign currency component associated with each milestone event.

3.1.5 All bids are evaluated in Canadian currency. Therefore, for evaluation purposes, the noon rate quoted by the Bank of Canada as being in effect on date of bid closing, or such other date as may be specified in the bid solicitation, will be applied as the initial conversion factor for the specified currency. (Column 3 of the above form will be completed by the Contracting Authority.)

3.1.6 Rates proposed by bidders will not be accepted for the purposes of this exchange rate adjustment provision.

3.1.7 If there are two (2) identical bids, and provided that the bid selected would still be considered the most advantageous to Canada, preference will be given to the Bidder who assumes all or part of the exchange rate adjustment risk over a bidder who does not assume any of this risk. Furthermore, preference will be given to the Bidder who assumes all of the exchange rate adjustment risk over a bidder who assumes only part of this risk.

3.1.8 Canada will pay the exchange rate adjustment amount in Canadian currency using the prevailing noon rate on the date of payment by Canada or, as applicable, in accordance with clause C3015C.

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#### **4. Section III: Certifications and Additional Information**

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Bidders must submit the certifications required under **PART 5 - CERTIFICATIONS**.

##### **4.1 Additional Information**

Canada requests that bidders submit the following information:

##### **4.1.1 Delivery**

###### **4.1.1.1 Firm Quantity**

While delivery of the vehicles is requested by December 31, 2012 the best delivery that can be offered is as follows:

###### **Configuration A**

Item 001 – Two (2) Commuter Buses and related items will be delivered within \_\_\_\_\_ calendar days from the effective date of the contract.

Item 002 – Two (2) Commuter Buses and related items will be delivered within \_\_\_\_\_ calendar days from the effective date of the contract.

Item 003 – One (1) Commuter Buses and related items will be delivered within \_\_\_\_\_ calendar days from the effective date of the contract.

Item 004 – Two (2) Commuter Buses and related items will be delivered within \_\_\_\_\_ calendar days from the effective date of the contract.

Item 005 – Two (2) Commuter Buses and related items will be delivered within \_\_\_\_\_ calendar days from the effective date of the contract.

and/or

###### **Configuration B**

Item 006 – One (1) Commuter Buses and related items will be delivered within \_\_\_\_\_ calendar days from the effective date of the contract.

Item 007 – Two (2) Commuter Buses and related items will be delivered within \_\_\_\_\_ calendar days from the effective date of the contract.

Item 008 – Two (2) Commuter Buses and related items will be delivered within \_\_\_\_\_ calendar days from the effective date of the contract.

#### **4.1.1.2 Optional Quantity**

If an option is exercised, the best delivery that can be offered is as follows:

Item 009 – Three (3) Commuter Buses Configuration A and related items will be delivered within \_\_\_\_\_ calendar days after an option is exercised.

Item 010 – Three (3) Commuter Buses Configuration B and related items will be delivered within \_\_\_\_\_ calendar days after an option is exercised.

#### **4.1.2 Manufacturer's Standard Warranty Period**

Canada requests that the Bidder provide details of the manufacturer's standard warranty period for the vehicle/equipment and its component that exceeds the minimum warranty period of twelve (12) months.

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### **PART 4 - EVALUATION PROCEDURES AND BASIS OF SELECTION**

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#### **1. Evaluation Procedures**

- 1.1 Bids will be assessed in accordance with the entire requirement of the bid solicitation including the technical and financial evaluation criteria.
- 1.2 An evaluation team composed of representatives of Canada will evaluate the bids.

## 2. Technical Evaluation

2.1 The purpose of the technical evaluation is to determine if the goods and/or services offered meet all mandatory technical requirements outlined in the documents enumerated hereafter and as required in **Section I - Technical Bid of Part 3 - BID PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Appendix 1 - Technical Information Questionnaire - Commuter Bus - Configuration A;
- Annex “B” - Purchase Description - Commuter Bus - Configuration A;  
and/or
- Appendix 2 - Technical Information Questionnaire - Commuter Bus - Configuration B;
- Annex “C” - Purchase Description - Commuter Bus - Configuration B.

## 3. Financial Evaluation

3.1 The purpose of the financial evaluation is to determine the aggregate price, per configuration, based on the information submitted in Annex “A” - Pricing.

### 3.2 Aggregate Price Calculation

Bids will be evaluated on an aggregate price, per configuration, basis for the firm quantity and the optional quantity.

3.3 Any **Extended Warranty Period** offered will not be included in the financial evaluation and further negotiations may be required.

## 4. Basis of Selection

4.1 A bid must comply with the requirements of the bid solicitation and meet all mandatory requirements to be declared responsive. The responsive bid with the lowest evaluated aggregate price per configuration will be recommended for award of a contract.

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## At PART 6 - RESULTING CONTRACT CLAUSES

**Delete in its entirety:**

### **2. Requirement**

**Insert:**

### **2. Requirement**

- 2.1 Nine (9) Commuter Buses - Configuration A and related items as described in Annex "A" - Pricing and in accordance with Annex "B" - Purchase Description Commuter Buses - Configuration A.

Five (5) Commuter Buses - Configuration B and related items as described in Annex "A" - Pricing and in accordance with Annex "C" - Purchase Description Commuter Buses - Configuration B.

- 2.2 The Contractor grants to Canada irrevocable options identified in Annex "A" - Pricing.

2.2.1 The options may only be exercised by the Contracting Authority and will be evidenced, for administrative purposes only, through a contract amendment.

2.2.2 The options may be exercised in whole or in part and on more than one occasion at the sole discretion of Canada, up to the maximum quantity identified in Annex "A" - Pricing.

2.2.3 The options may be exercised within Twelve (12) months after contract award.

#### **2.3 Optional Extended Warranty Period (if applicable)**

The Contractor grants to Canada the irrevocable option to extend the warranty period for an additional (to be inserted by PWGSC at time of contract award) months, under the same terms and conditions and at the price stated in the Contract at Annex "A" - pricing. The option may only be exercised by the Contracting Authority and will be evidenced, for administrative purposes only, through a contract amendment.

The Contracting Authority may exercise the option within ninety (90) calendar days after contract award and/or the exercising of an option by sending a written notice to the Contractor.



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**4. Term of Contract**

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**4.1 Delivery of Vehicles**

**4.1.1 Firm Quantity**

Delivery date of the vehicles must be made as follows:

**Configuration A**

Item 001 - Commuter Buses and related items must be delivered on or before \_\_\_\_\_ (Date to be inserted by PWGSC the Contracting Authority at time of contract award.)

Item 002 - Commuter Buses and related items must be delivered on or before \_\_\_\_\_ (Date to be inserted by PWGSC the Contracting Authority at time of contract award.)

Item 003 - Commuter Buses and related items must be delivered on or before \_\_\_\_\_ (Date to be inserted by PWGSC the Contracting Authority at time of contract award.)

Item 004 - Commuter Buses and related items must be delivered on or before \_\_\_\_\_ (Date to be inserted by PWGSC the Contracting Authority at time of contract award.)

Item 005 - Commuter Buses and related items must be delivered on or before \_\_\_\_\_ (Date to be inserted by PWGSC the Contracting Authority at time of contract award.)

**Configuration B**

Item 006 - Commuter Buses and related items must be delivered on or before \_\_\_\_\_ (Date to be inserted by PWGSC the Contracting Authority at time of contract award.)

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Item 007 - Commuter Buses and related items must be delivered on or before \_\_\_\_\_ (Date to be inserted by PWGSC the Contracting Authority at time of contract award.)

Item 008 - Commuter Buses and related items must be delivered on or before \_\_\_\_\_ (Date to be inserted by PWGSC the Contracting Authority at time of contract award.)

#### **4.1.2 Option Quantity**

Item 009 - Commuter Buses (up to quantity 3, Configuration A) and related items to be delivered within \_\_\_\_\_ calendar days after an option is exercised. (Days to be inserted by PWGSC the Contracting Authority at time of contract award.)

Item 010 - Commuter Buses (up to quantity 3, Configuration B) and related items to be delivered within \_\_\_\_\_ calendar days after an option is exercised. (Days to be inserted by PWGSC the Contracting Authority at time of contract award.)

**ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN UNCHANGED.**