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Revision to a Request for a Standing Offer

Révision à une demande d'offre à commandes

Regional Individual Standing Offer (RISO)

Offre à commandes individuelle régionale (OCIR)

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

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

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Title - Sujet COMMERCIAL LAB SERVICES		
Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation 23295-130049/A		Date 2012-08-23
Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client 23295-130049		Amendment No. - N° modif. 001
File No. - N° de dossier EDM-2-35079 (002)	CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME	
GETS Reference No. - N° de référence de SEAG PW-\$EDM-002-9481		
Date of Original Request for Standing Offer Date de la demande de l'offre à commandes originale		2012-07-19
Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin at - à 02:00 PM on - le 2012-08-30		Time Zone Fuseau horaire Mountain Daylight Saving Time MDT
Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à: Scott, Jasmine		Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur edm002
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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 Offer. Cette révision ne change pas les besoins en matière de sécurité de la présente offre.		

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Acknowledgement copy required Accusé de réception requis	Yes - Oui <input type="checkbox"/>	No - Non <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		

Title: Laboratory Analysis, Department of Natural Resources Canada, CanmetENERGY, Devon, Alberta

This amendment #001 is raised to answer questions for solicitation 23295-130049/A as follows:

Question 1.

In reference to Annex 'E', Phase #3. In calculation the ratings, you have used a bench mark of 100% for technical points while using the 'lowest bidder's value/amount' as the base for calculating the price points. In looking at it closely, we wonder if the bidder with the highest accuracy can be used as a 'base' for calculating the technical bid. To elaborate, can the 95.03% accuracy used in the example in the RFP (top accuracy) be used as the base for calculating technical points, instead of 100% which will give both accuracy and price the same level of importance for the evaluation process?

Answer 1.

We are basing the technical merit on the % accuracy. The best score a proponent could receive is 100% accurate. As an example: A proponent returns results with 9% error. Giving them a 109% accuracy. The proponent with 1% error - a % accuracy of 101% is the more accurate of the two bidder's. The proponent must remember if the accuracy for any component is outside the 10% allowable error that they will be considered non-compliant.

DELETE: On page 33 of 35, PART C) Selection Method, Item 4:

To establish the technical merit score, the Overall % Accuracy for each of the three samples will be added together and divided by 3 to determine the average. This average will be considered the Technical Score.

[Technical Score = (Overall % Accuracy Sample 1 + Overall % Accuracy Sample 2 + Overall % Accuracy Sample 3) ÷ 3]

Technical score multiplied by the ratio of 60%

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Technical score divided by 100 and multiplied by the ratio of 60%

Question 2.

In reference to Annex 'E', page 28, Phase #2. Laboratory Accuracy testing. Will the proponents participating in Phase 2 to be invoicing Canmet ENERGY for the testing performed?

Answer 2. Please refer to page 29 of the Request for Standing Offer Annex "E", under PHASE 2 - Laboratory Accuracy Testing, Samples:

"All samples will be analyzed at the Offeror's cost."

Question 3.

In reference to Annex 'E', page 28, Phase #2. Laboratory Accuracy testing. If successful in reaching this Phase, what is the expected timeline for proponents to be receiving the samples?

Answer 3. Within 7 business days from solicitation closing date.

Question 4.

In reference to Annex 'A', page 19, section E) response time. Canmet ENERGY requests response via e-mail or phone within 24 hours. Will Canmet ENERGY be making requests outside of regular Monday-Friday business hours?

Answer 4. Requests will only be made during business hours Monday-Friday.

Question 5.

In reference to Annex 'A', Section C) Analysis requirements, page 18. If the samples tested yield less than 35g of mineral solid, how would Canmet ENERGY like the successful proponent to proceed?

Answer 5. If less than 35g of sample is recovered, the Offeror should contact the Technical Authority either by phone or email to let them know that this is the case. That way alternatives can be discussed. Alternatives may include: A) having more sample sent out to the proponent for analysis or B) depending on how much is collected and the nature of the follow up work determine if what weight recovered is enough.

Question 6.

In reference to Annex 'A', Section B) Sample Quantities and Usage. Annual volume, how many batches of samples does the proponent expect to receive? Is there a batch minimum quantity for shipping mineral solids back to Canmet ENERGY?

Answer 6. Please refer to Annex "B", Basis of Payment, the Annual Estimated Usages. There is no minimum, please send back any remaining mineral.

If your proposal has already been submitted, you may wish to revise it. Revisions to your proposal must be submitted in a sealed envelope with the contents clearly identified on the outside of the envelope. Any revisions to your proposal must be received by the Bid Receiving Unit on or before the time and date stated on page 1 of this document. Any revisions to your proposal received after the closing date and time will be considered late and will be returned unopened.