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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
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**Proposal To: Public Works and Government
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**Proposition aux: Travaux Publics et Services
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Instructions: Voir aux présentes

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**BID SOLICITATION
DATA MASKING SOLUTION
FOR
ELECTIONS CANADA**

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List of Attachments to Part 4 (Evaluation Procedures and Basis of Selection):

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- Attachment 4.1: Bidder Response Form Substantiation of Technical Compliance Form - Mandatory Requirements
- Attachment 4.2: Bidder Response Form Substantiation of Technical Compliance Form - Rated Requirements

List of Attachments to Part 5 (Certifications):

- Attachment 5.1 Code of Conduct Certifications - Consent to a Criminal Record Verification Form
- Attachment 5.2 Bid Submission Form
- Attachment 5.3 Software Publisher Certification Form
- Attachment 5.4 Software Publisher Authorization Form

List of Attachments to Part 6 (Security, Financial and Other Requirements):

- Attachment 6.1: Security Requirement Check List

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PART 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1 Introduction

The bid solicitation is divided into seven parts plus attachments and annexes as follows:

- Part 1 General Information: provides a general description of the requirement;
- Part 2 Bidder Instructions: provides the instructions, clauses and conditions applicable to the bid solicitation;
- Part 3 Bid Preparation Instructions: provides bidders with instructions on how to prepare their bid;
- Part 4 Evaluation Procedures and Basis of Selection: indicates how the evaluation will be conducted, the evaluation criteria that must be addressed in the bid, if applicable, and the basis of selection;
- Part 5 Certifications: includes the certifications to be provided;
- Part 6 Security, Financial and Other Requirements: includes specific requirements that must be addressed by bidders; and
- Part 7 Resulting Contract Clauses: includes the clauses and conditions that will apply to any resulting contract.

1.2 Summary

The annexes include the Statement of Requirements, the Basis of Payment, the Definitions and the Software List. The forms include the Substantiation of Technical Compliance Form, the Code of Conduct Certifications - Consent to a Criminal Record Verification Form, the Bid Submission Form, the Software Publisher Certification Form, and the Software Publisher Authorization Form, Software List and Security Requirement Check List.

Canada has an initial requirement for a commercially available Data Masking Solution (the "**Software Solution**"). The required Software Solution must include the Licensed Software, a 12-month warranty, software maintenance and support, and documentation. Training and professional services must also be provided, "as and when" requested. The bid solicitation is intended to result in the award of a contract for 1 year, plus 5 one-year irrevocable option(s) allowing Canada to extend the term of the contract. All parts of the Software Solution must be available to the Client Users 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year, in English and French, and operate at all times in accordance with the Statement of Requirements in the Client's operational environment described in the bid solicitation. The term "**User**" refers to the employees of the Government of Canada, the Minister's office and staff, and other individuals authorized by the Client to perform services in relation to the business and affairs of the Client, including public servants from other departments and contractors or consultants performing work for the Client from time to time. The Client is **Elections Canada**.

There is a security requirement associated with this requirement. For additional information, see Part 6 - Security, Financial and Other Requirements, and Part 7 - Resulting Contract Clauses. Bidders should

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consult the "Security Requirements on PWGSC Bid Solicitations - Instructions for Bidders" document on the Departmental Standard Procurement Documents (<http://www.pwgsc.gc.ca/acquisitions/text/plain/plain-e.html#top>) Website.

The requirement is subject to the provisions of the World Trade Organization *Agreement on Government Procurement* (WTO-AGP), the *North American Free Trade Agreement* (NAFTA), the *Canada-Chile Free Trade Agreement* (CCFTA), the *Canada-Peru Free Trade Agreement* (CPFTA), the *Canada-Colombia Free Trade Agreement* (CColFTA), the *Canada-Panama Free Trade Agreement* (CPanFTA) if it is in force, and the *Agreement on Internal Trade* (AIT).

1.3 Communications Notification

As a courtesy, the Government of Canada requests that successful bidders notify the Contracting Authority in advance of their intention to make public an announcement related to the award of a contract.

1.4 Debriefings

After contract award, bidders may request a debriefing on the results of the bid solicitation process. Bidders should make the request to the Contracting Authority within 15 working days of receipt of the results of the bid solicitation process. The debriefing may be provided in writing, by telephone or in person.

PART 2 - BIDDER INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Standard Instructions, Clauses and Conditions

- (a) All instructions, clauses and conditions identified in the bid solicitation by number, date and title are set out in the Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions Manual issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC).
- (b) Bidders who submit a bid agree to be bound by the instructions, clauses and conditions of the bid solicitation and accept the clauses and conditions of the resulting contract.
- (c) The 2003 (2012-11-19) Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements are incorporated by reference into and form part of the bid solicitation. If there is a conflict between the provisions of 2003 and this document, this document prevails.

The text under Subsection 4 of Section 01 – Code of Conduct and Certifications of 2003 referenced above is replaced by:

Bidders should provide, with their bid or promptly thereafter, a complete list of names of all individuals who are currently directors of the Bidder. If such a list has not been received by the time the evaluation of bids is completed, Canada will inform the Bidder of a time frame within which to provide the information. Failure to provide such a list within the required time frame will render the bid non-responsive. Bidders must always submit the list of directors before contract award.

Canada may, at any time, request that a Bidder provide properly completed and Signed Consent Forms (*Consent to a Criminal Record Verification form - PWGSC-TPSGC 229*) for any or all individuals named in the aforementioned list within a specified delay. Failure to provide such Consent Forms within the delay will result in the bid being declared non-responsive.

The text under Subsection 5 of Section 01 – Code of Conduct and Certifications of 2003 referenced above is replaced by:

The Bidder must diligently maintain the list up-to-date by informing Canada in writing of any change occurring during the validity period of the bid, and must also provide Canada, when requested, with the corresponding Consent Forms. The Bidder will also be required to diligently maintain the list and when requested, provide Consent Forms during the period of any contract arising from this bid solicitation.

- (d) Subsection 5(4) of 2003, Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements is amended as follows:
 - (i) Delete: sixty (60) days
 - (ii) Insert: one hundred twenty (120) days

2.2 Submission of Bids

- (a) Bids must be submitted only to Public Works and Government Services Canada Bid Receiving Unit by the date, time and place indicated on page 1 of the bid solicitation.
- (b) Due to the nature of the bid solicitation, bids transmitted by facsimile to Public Works and Government Services Canada will not be accepted.

2.3 Enquiries - Bid Solicitation

- (a) All enquiries must be submitted in writing to the Contracting Authority no later than 10 calendar days before the bid closing date. Enquiries received after that time may not be answered.

- (b) Bidders should reference as accurately as possible the numbered item of the bid solicitation to which the enquiry relates. Care should be taken by bidders to explain each question in sufficient detail in order to enable Canada to provide an accurate answer. Technical enquiries that are of a "proprietary" nature must be clearly marked "proprietary" at each relevant item. Items identified as proprietary will be treated as such except where Canada determines that the enquiry is not of a proprietary nature. Canada may edit the questions or may request that the Bidder do so, so that the proprietary nature of the question is eliminated, and the enquiry can be answered with copies to all bidders. Enquiries not submitted in a form that can be distributed to all bidders may not be answered by Canada.

2.4 Applicable Laws

Any resulting contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in Ontario.

2.5 Improvement of Requirement During Solicitation Period

- (a) Should bidders consider that the specifications or Statement of Requirement contained in the bid solicitation could be improved technically or technologically, bidders are invited to make suggestions, in writing, to the Contracting Authority named in the bid solicitation. Bidders must clearly outline the suggested improvement as well as the reasons for the suggestion. Suggestions that do not restrict the level of competition nor favour a particular bidder will be given consideration provided they are submitted to the Contracting Authority in accordance with the article entitled "Enquiries - Bid Solicitation". Canada will have the right to accept or reject any or all suggestions.

PART 3 - BID PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Bid Preparation Instructions

(a) **Copies of Bid:** Canada requests that bidders provide their bid in separately bound sections as follows:

- (i) Section I: Technical Bid (4 hard copies) *and 1 soft copies* on DVD or USB,
- (ii) Section II: Financial Bid (1 hard copies) *and 1 soft copies* on DVD or USB,
- (iii) Section III: Certifications (1 hard copies) *and 1 soft copies* on DVD or USB,

If there is a discrepancy between the wording of the soft copy and the hard copy, the wording of the hard copy will have priority over the wording of the soft copy.

Prices must appear in the financial bid only. No prices must be indicated in any other section of the bid.

(b) **Format for Bid:** Canada requests that bidders follow the format instructions described below in the preparation of their bid:

- (i) use 8.5 x 11 inch (216 mm x 279 mm) paper;
- (ii) use a numbering system that corresponds to the bid solicitation;
- (iii) include a title page at the front of each volume of the bid that includes the title, date, bid solicitation number, bidder's name and address and contact information of its representative; and
- (iv) include a table of contents.

(c) **Canada's Policy on Green Procurement:** In April 2006, Canada issued a policy directing federal departments and agencies to take the necessary steps to incorporate environmental considerations into the procurement process. See the Policy on Green Procurement (<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ecologisation-greening/achats-procurement/politique-policy-eng.html>). To assist Canada in reaching its objectives, bidders are encouraged to:

- (i) use paper containing fibre certified as originating from a sustainably-managed forest and/or containing a minimum of 30% recycled content; and
- (ii) use an environmentally-preferable format including black and white printing instead of colour printing, printing double sided/duplex, and using staples or clips instead of cerlox, duotangs or binders.

(d) **Submission of Only One Bid from a Bidding Group:**

- (i) The submission of more than one bid from members of the same bidding group is not permitted in response to this bid solicitation. If members of a bidding group participate in more than one bid, Canada will choose in its discretion which bid to consider.
- (ii) For the purposes of this article, "**bidding group**" means all entities (whether those entities include one or more natural persons, corporations, partnerships, limited liability partnerships, etc.) that are related to one another. Regardless of the jurisdiction where any of the entities concerned is incorporated or otherwise formed as a matter of law, entities are considered "**related**" for the purposes of this bid solicitation if:
 - (A) they are the same legal entity (i.e., the same natural person, corporation, partnership, limited liability partnership, etc.);
 - (B) they are "related persons" or "affiliated persons" according to the *Canada Income Tax Act*,

- (C) the entities have now or in the two years before bid closing had a fiduciary relationship with one another (either as a result of an agency arrangement or any other form of fiduciary relationship); or
- (D) the entities otherwise do not deal with one another at arm's length, or each of them does not deal at arm's length with the same third party.

3.2 Section I: Technical Bid

- (a) In their technical bid, bidders must demonstrate their understanding of the requirements contained in the bid solicitation and explain how they will meet these requirements. Bidders must demonstrate their capability and describe their approach in a thorough, concise and clear manner for carrying out the work. The technical bid must address clearly and in sufficient depth the points that are subject to the evaluation criteria against which the bid will be evaluated. Simply repeating the statement contained in the bid solicitation is not sufficient. In order to facilitate the evaluation of the bid, Canada requests that bidders address and present topics in the order of the evaluation criteria under the same headings. To avoid duplication, bidders may refer to different sections of their bids by identifying the specific paragraph and page number where the subject topic has already been addressed.
- (b) The technical bid consists of the following:
 - (i) **Bid Submission Form:** Bidders are requested to include the Bid Submission Form (attached as Part 5, Attachment 5.2 of the bid solicitation) with their bids. It provides a common form in which bidders can provide information required for evaluation and contract award, such as a contact name, the Bidder's Procurement Business Number, the Bidder's status under the Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity, etc. Using the form to provide this information is not mandatory, but it is recommended. If Canada determines that the information required by the Bid Submission Form is incomplete or requires correction, Canada will provide the Bidder with an opportunity to do so.
 - (ii) **Substantiation of Technical Compliance Form:** The technical bid must substantiate the compliance of the Bidder and its proposed solution with the specific articles of Annex A (Statement of Requirements) identified in the Substantiation of Technical Compliance Form (attached as Part 4, Attachment 4.1), which is the requested format for providing the substantiation. The Substantiation of Technical Compliance Form is not required to address any parts of this bid solicitation not referenced in the form. The substantiation must not simply be a repetition of the requirement(s), but must explain and demonstrate how the Bidder will meet the requirements and carry out the required Work. Simply stating that the Bidder or its proposed solution or product complies is not sufficient. Where Canada determines that the substantiation is not complete, the Bidder will be declared non-responsive and disqualified. The substantiation may refer to additional documentation submitted with the bid - this information can be referenced in the "Reference" column of the Substantiation of Technical Compliance Form, where bidders are requested to indicate where in the bid the reference material can be found, including the title of the document, and the page and paragraph numbers; where the reference is not sufficiently precise, Canada may request that the Bidder direct Canada to the appropriate location in the documentation.
 - (iii) **Corporate Profile:** The Bidder is requested to provide a corporate profile, which should include an overview of the Bidder and any subcontractors, and/or authorized agents of the Bidder that would be involved in the performance of the Work on the Bidder's behalf. The Bidder is requested to provide a brief description of its size, corporate structure, years in business, business activities, major customers, number of employees and their geographic presence. This information is requested for information purposes only and will not be evaluated.

- (iv) **List of Proposed Software:** The Bidder must include a complete list identifying both the name and the version number of each component of the Licensed Software required for the proposed Software Solution.

3.3 Section II: Financial Bid

- (a) **Pricing:** Bidders must submit their financial bid in accordance with the Annex "B". The total amount of Goods and Services Tax or Harmonized Sales Tax must be shown separately, if applicable. Unless otherwise indicated, bidders must include a single, firm, all-inclusive price quoted in Canadian dollars in each cell requiring an entry in the pricing tables.
- (b) **Variation in Professional Services Resource Rates:** For any given resource category, where the financial tables provided by Canada allow different firm rates to be charged for a resource category during different time periods:
- (i) the rate bid must not increase by more than 5% from one time period to the next
- (c) **All Costs to be Included:** The financial bid must include all costs for the requirement described in the bid solicitation for the entire Contract Period, including any option years. The identification of all necessary equipment, software, peripherals, cabling and components required to meet the requirements of the bid solicitation and the associated costs of these items is the sole responsibility of the Bidder.
- (d) **Blank Prices:** Bidders are requested to insert "\$0.00" for any item for which it does not intend to charge or for items that are already included in other prices set out in the tables. If the Bidder leaves any price blank, Canada will treat the price as "\$0.00" for evaluation purposes and may request that the Bidder confirm that the price is, in fact, \$0.00. No bidder will be permitted to add or change a price as part of this confirmation. Any bidder who does not confirm that the price for a blank item is \$0.00 will be declared non-responsive.
- (e) **Exchange Rate Fluctuation**
- The requirement does not provide for exchange rate fluctuation protection.
- Any request for exchange rate fluctuation protection will not be considered and will render the bid non-responsive.

3.4 Section III: Certifications

Bidders must submit the certifications required under Part 5.

- (i) Part 5, Certifications Attachment 5.1 Code of Conduct Certifications - Consent to a Criminal Record Verification
- (ii) Part 5, Certifications Attachment 5.2 Bid Submission Form
- (iii) Part 5, Certifications Attachment 5.3 Software Publisher Certification Form
- (iv) Part 5, Certifications Attachment 5.4 Software Publisher Authorization Form

PART 4 - EVALUATION PROCEDURES AND BASIS OF SELECTION

4.1 Evaluation Procedures

- (a) Bids will be assessed in accordance with the entire requirement of the bid solicitation including the evaluation criteria. There are several steps in the evaluation process, which are described below. Even though the evaluation and selection will be conducted in steps, the fact that Canada has proceeded to a later step does not mean that Canada has conclusively determined that the Bidder has successfully passed all the previous steps. Canada may conduct steps of the evaluation in parallel.
- (b) An evaluation team composed of representatives of the Client and PWGSC will evaluate the bids on behalf of Canada. Canada may hire any independent consultant, or use any Government resources, to evaluate any bid. Not all members of the evaluation team will necessarily participate in all aspects of the evaluation.
- (c) In addition to any other time periods established in the bid solicitation:
- (i) **Requests for Clarifications:** If Canada seeks clarification or verification from the Bidder about its bid, the Bidder will have 2 working days (or a longer period if specified in writing by the Contracting Authority) to provide the necessary information to Canada. Failure to meet this deadline will result in the bid being declared non-responsive.
- (ii) **Requests for Further Information:** If Canada requires additional information in order to do any of the following pursuant to the Section entitled "Conduct of Evaluation" in 2003, Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements:
- (A) verify any or all information provided by the Bidder in its bid;
- (B) contact any or all references supplied by the Bidder (e.g., references named in the résumés of individual resources) to verify and validate any information submitted by the Bidder,
- the Bidder must provide the information requested by Canada within 2 working days of a request by the Contracting Authority.
- (iii) **Extension of Time:** If additional time is required by the Bidder, the Contracting Authority may grant an extension in his or her sole discretion.

4.2 Technical Evaluation

- (a) **Mandatory Technical Criteria:**
- (i) Each bid will be reviewed for compliance with the mandatory requirements of the bid solicitation. Any element of the bid solicitation that are identified specifically with the words "must" or "mandatory" is a mandatory requirement. Bids that do not comply with each and every mandatory requirement will be declared non-responsive and be disqualified.
- (ii) Claims in a bid that a future upgrade or release of any of product included in the bid will meet the mandatory requirements of the bid solicitation, where the upgrade or release is not available at bid closing, will not be considered.
- (i) The mandatory requirements are described in Annex "A", Statement of Requirements.
- (b) **Point-Rated Technical Criteria:**
- Each bid will be rated by assigning a score to the rated requirements, which are identified in the bid solicitation by the word "rated" or by reference to a score. Bidders who fail to submit complete bids with all the information requested by this bid solicitation will be rated accordingly. The point-rated requirements are described in Annex "A", Rated Technical Requirements.

- (i) Bidders must obtain the required minimum of 60% of the points available for the point-rated requirements specified in Annex "A".

(b) Proof of Proposal Test for Top-Ranked Bid:

- (i) Through the Proof of Proposal (PoP) test, Canada will test the solution proposed in the top-ranked bid (identified after the financial evaluation) to confirm both that it will function as described in the bid and that it meets the technical functionality requirements described in Annex "A". The PoP test will take place at a site in the National Capital Region provided by Canada that recreates the technical environment described in Annex "A".
- (ii) After being notified by the Contracting Authority, the Bidder will be given a maximum of 5 working days to start the installation of the proposed solution. The installation must be completed and functional within 5 working days of the Bidder starting the installation (7.5 hrs/day during normal working hours, to be determined by the Contracting Authority). Canada will then conduct the PoP test. Canada is not required to delay the PoP test if the bidder is unavailable. Once the PoP test has begun, it must be completed within 3 day.
- (iii) Canada will document the results of the PoP Test. If Canada determines that the proposed solution does not meet any mandatory requirement of the bid solicitation, the bid will fail the PoP Test and the bid will be disqualified. Canada may, as a result of the PoP test, reduce the score of the Bidder on any rated requirements, if the PoP test indicates that the score provided to the Bidder on the basis of its written bid is not validated by the PoP test. The Bidder's score will not be increased as a result of the PoP test. If the Bidder's score is reduced as a result of the PoP test, Canada will reassess the ranking of all bidders.
- (iv) In connection with the PoP testing, the Bidder grants to Canada a limited license to use the Bidder's proposed software solution for testing and evaluation purposes.
- (v) If, during the initial installation of the software for the PoP test, the Bidder discovers that there are missing and/or corrupt files for software components identified in the technical bid, the Bidder must cease the installation process and inform the Contracting Authority. If the Contracting Authority determines that the missing and/or corrupt files are for components identified in the technical bid, the Bidder may be permitted to submit to the Contracting Authority the missing files and/or replacements for the corrupt files on electronic media or by referring to a web site where the files can be downloaded. These files must have been commercially released to the public before the bid closing date. Upon receiving the files on electronic media or downloading them from a corporate web site, the Contracting Authority will verify that (i) the files were commercially released to the public before the bid closing date; (ii) the files do not include new releases or versions of the software; (iii) the files belong to software components identified in the technical bid; and (iv) the software will not need to be recompiled to make use of the files. The Contracting Authority will have the sole discretion to decide if the additional files may be installed for the PoP test. Under no circumstances will files required to correct flaws in the software programming or code be permitted. This process can be used only a single time, and only during the initial installation of the software for the PoP test.

4.3 Financial Evaluation

- (a) The financial evaluation will be conducted by calculating the Total Bid Price using the Pricing Tables in Annex B, Basis of Payment, completed by the bidders. The price of the bid will be evaluated in Canadian dollars, the Goods and Services Tax or the Harmonized Sales Tax excluded, FOB destination, Canadian customs duties and excise taxes included.
 - (i) SACC Manual Clause A0220T (2007-05-25), Evaluation of Price

(b) Formulae in Pricing Tables

If the pricing tables provided to bidders include any formulae, Canada may re-input the prices provided by bidders into a fresh table, if Canada believes that the formulae may no longer be functioning properly in the version submitted by a bidder.

(c) Substantiation of Professional Services Rates

In Canada's experience, bidders will from time to time propose rates at the time of bidding for one or more categories of resources that they later refuse to honour, on the basis that these rates do not allow them to recover their own costs and/or make a profit. When evaluating the rates bid for professional services, Canada may, but will have no obligation to, require price support in accordance with this Article. If Canada requests price support, it will be requested from all otherwise responsive bidders who have proposed a rate that is at least 20% lower than the median rate bid by all responsive bidders for the relevant resource category or categories. If Canada requests price support, the following information is required:

- (i) an invoice (referencing a contract serial number or other unique contract identifier) that shows that the Bidder has provided and invoiced a customer (with whom the Bidder deals at arm's length) for services performed for that customer similar to the services that would be provided in the relevant resource category, where those services were provided for at least three months within the twelve months before the bid solicitation closing date, and the fees charged were equal to or less than the rate offered to Canada;
- (ii) in relation to the invoice in (i), evidence from the bidder's customer that the services identified in the invoice include at least 50% of the tasks listed in the Statement of Work for the category of resource being assessed for an unreasonably low rate. This evidence must consist of either a copy of the contract (which must describe the services to be provided and demonstrate that at least 50% of the tasks to be performed are the same as those to be performed under the Statement of Work in this bid solicitation) or the customer's signed certification that the services subject to the charges in the invoice included at least 50% of the same tasks to be performed under the Statement of Work in this bid solicitation);
- (iii) in respect of each contract for which an invoice is submitted as substantiation, a résumé for the resource that provided the services under that contract that demonstrates that, in relation to the resource category for which the rates are being substantiated, the resource would meet the mandatory requirements and achieve any required pass mark for any rated criteria; and
- (iv) the name, telephone number and, if available, email address of a contact person at the customer who received each invoice submitted under (i), so that Canada may verify any information provided by the Bidder.

Once Canada requests substantiation of the rates bid for any resource category, it is the sole responsibility of the Bidder to submit information (as described above and as otherwise may be requested by Canada, including information that would allow Canada to verify information with the resource proposed) that will allow Canada to determine whether it can rely, with confidence, on the Bidder's ability to provide the required services at the rates bid. If Canada determines that the information provided by the Bidder does not adequately substantiate the unreasonably low rates, the bid will be declared non-responsive.

4.4 Basis of Selection

- (a) To be declared responsive, a bid must:
 - (i) Comply with all the requirements in the bid solicitation; and
 - (ii) Meet all mandatory technical evaluation criteria, and

- (iii) Obtain the required minimum score of 130 points (60%) overall for the rated technical evaluation criteria which is subject to point rating. The rating is performed on a scale of 220 points.
- (b) Bids not meeting (i) or (ii) or obtaining a minimum score of 130 points on the rated technical evaluation criteria will be declared non-responsive.
- (c) The responsive bid with the highest combined technical (60%) and financial (40%) score will be recommended for award of a contract.
- (d) The top-ranked responsive bidder will be determined based on the proposal that has met all mandatory criteria and has received highest combined rating of technical and Financial score.

Overall score is based on 60% Technical and 40% Financial.

Formula: $\frac{\text{Overall score (by the Bidder)}}{\text{Max. points on Rated Requirements}} \times 60 = \text{Total 2 (Technical)}$

Formula: $\frac{\text{TBP of the Lowest priced responsive proposal}}{\text{Bidder's TBP (Total Bid Price)}} \times 40 = \text{Total 1 (Financial)}$

$(\text{Total 1}) + (\text{Total 2}) = \text{Combined Rating of Financial and Technical Merit}$

- (c) Whether any bid is recommended for contract award depends on all the provisions of this bid solicitation (for example, the vendor performance provisions of Standard Instructions 2003 would affect whether an otherwise responsive bid were recommended for award, as would factors such as financial capability). Also, bidders should note that all contract awards are subject to Canada's internal approvals process, which includes a requirement to approve funding in the amount of any proposed contract. Despite the fact that the Bidder may have been recommended for contract award, a contract will only be awarded if internal approval is granted according to Canada's internal policies. If approval is not granted, no contract will be awarded.
- (d) If more than one bidder is ranked first because of identical overall scores, then the bidder with the highest score on the technical rated requirements criteria will be recommended for award of a contract.

PART 5 - CERTIFICATIONS

Bidders must provide the required certifications to be awarded a contract. Canada will declare a bid non-responsive if the required certifications are not completed and submitted in accordance with the articles below.

Compliance with the certifications bidders provide to Canada is subject to verification by Canada during the bid evaluation period (before award of a contract) and after award of a contract. The Contracting Authority will have the right to ask for additional information to verify bidders' compliance with the certifications before award of a contract. The bid will be declared non-responsive if any certification made by the Bidder is untrue, whether made knowingly or unknowingly. Failure to comply with the certifications or to comply with the request of the Contracting Authority for additional information will also render the bid non-responsive.

5.1 Certifications Precedent to Contract Award

The certifications listed below should be completed and submitted with the bid, but may be submitted afterwards. If any of these required certifications is not completed and submitted as requested, the Contracting Authority will so inform the Bidder and provide the Bidder with a time frame within which to meet the requirement. Failure to comply with the request of the Contracting Authority and meet the requirement within that time period will render the bid non-responsive.

5.2 Federal Contractors Program - Certification

- (a) The Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity (FCP) requires that some suppliers, including a supplier who is a member of a joint venture, bidding for federal government contracts, valued at \$200,000 or more (including all applicable taxes), make a formal commitment to implement employment equity. This is a condition precedent to contract award. If the Bidder is subject to the FCP, evidence of its commitment must be provided before the award of the Contract.
- (b) Suppliers who have been declared ineligible contractors by Human Resources and Skills Development Canada (HRSDC) are no longer eligible to receive government contracts over the threshold for solicitation of bids as set out in the *Government Contract Regulations*. Suppliers may be declared ineligible contractors either as a result of a finding of non-compliance by HRSDC, or following their voluntary withdrawal from the FCP for a reason other than the reduction of their workforce to fewer than 100 employees. Any bids from ineligible contractors will be declared non-responsive.
- (c) If the Bidder does not fall within the exceptions enumerated in (d)(i) or (ii) below, or does not have a valid certificate number confirming its adherence to the FCP, the Bidder must fax (819-953-8768) a copy of the signed form LAB 1168, Certificate of Commitment to Implement Employment Equity, to the Labour Branch of HRSDC.
- (d) Each bidder is requested to indicate in its bid whether it is:
 - (i) not subject to FCP, having a workforce of fewer than 100 permanent full or part-time permanent employees, or temporary employees having worked 12 weeks or more in Canada;
 - (ii) not subject to FCP, being a regulated employer under the *Employment Equity Act*, S.C. 1995, c. 44;
 - (iii) subject to the requirements of FCP, because it has a workforce of 100 or more permanent full or part-time permanent employees, or temporary employees having worked 12 weeks or more in Canada, but it has not previously obtained a certificate number from HRSDC (because it has not bid before on requirements of \$200,000 or more), in which case a duly signed certificate of commitment is required from the Bidder; or

- (iv) subject to FCP, and has a valid certification number (i.e., has not been declared an ineligible contractor by HRSDC).
- (e) Further information on the FCP is available on the following HRSDC Website:
<http://www.hrsdc.gc.ca/en/gateways/topics/wzp-gxr.shtml>.

5.3 Former Public Servant Certification

- (a) Contracts with former public servants (FPS) in receipt of a pension or of a lump sum payment must bear the closest public scrutiny and reflect fairness in spending public funds. In order to comply with Treasury Board policies and directives on contracts with FPS, bidders must provide the information required below.
- (b) For the purposes of this clause,
 - (i) **"former public servant"** means a former member of a department as defined in the *Financial Administration Act*, R.S., 1985, c. F-11, a former member of the Canadian Armed Forces or a former member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and includes:
 - (A) an individual;
 - (B) an individual who has incorporated;
 - (C) a partnership made of former public servants; or
 - (D) a sole proprietorship or entity where the affected individual has a controlling or major interest in the entity.
 - (ii) **"lump sum payment period"** means the period measured in weeks of salary, for which payment has been made to facilitate the transition to retirement or to other employment as a result of the implementation of various programs to reduce the size of the Public Service. The lump sum payment period does not include the period of severance pay, which is measured in a like manner.
 - (iii) **"pension"** means, in the context of the fee abatement formula, a pension or annual allowance paid under the *Public Service Superannuation Act* (PSSA), R.S., 1985, c. P-36, and any increases paid pursuant to the *Supplementary Retirement Benefits Act*, R.S. 1985, c. S-24 as it affects the PSSA. It does not include pensions payable pursuant to the *Canadian Forces Superannuation Act*, R.S., 1985, c. C-17, the *Defence Services Pension Continuation Act*, 1970, c. D-3, the *Royal Canadian Mounted Police Pension Continuation Act*, 1970, c. R-10, and the *Royal Canadian Mounted Police Superannuation Act*, R.S., 1985, c. R-11, the *Members of Parliament Retiring Allowances Act*, R.S., 1985, c. M-5, and that portion of pension payable to the *Canadian Pension Plan Act*, R.S., 1985, c. C-8.
- (c) If the Bidder is an FPS in receipt of a pension as defined above, the Bidder must provide the following information:
 - (i) name of former public servant;
 - (ii) date of termination of employment or retirement from the Public Service.
- (d) If the Bidder is an FPS who received a lump sum payment pursuant to the terms of a work force reduction program, the Bidder must provide the following information:
 - (i) name of former public servant;
 - (ii) conditions of the lump sum payment incentive;
 - (iii) date of termination of employment;
 - (iv) amount of lump sum payment;

- (v) rate of pay on which lump sum payment is based;
 - (vi) period of lump sum payment including start date, end date and number of weeks; and
 - (vii) number and amount (professional fees) of other contracts subject to the restrictions of a work force reduction program.
- (e) For all contracts awarded during the lump sum payment period, the total amount of fee that may be paid to a FPS who received a lump sum payment is \$5,000, including the Goods and Services Tax or Harmonized Sales Tax.
- (f) By submitting a bid, the Bidder certifies that the information submitted by the Bidder in response to the above requirements is accurate and complete.

Note to Bidders: *Bidders are requested to provide the information required by this clause in their Bid Submission Form.*

5.4 Bidder Certifies that All Equipment and Software is “Off-the-Shelf”

Any equipment and software bid to meet this requirement must be “off-the-shelf” (unless otherwise stated in this bid solicitation), meaning that each item of equipment and software is commercially available and requires no further research or development and is part of an existing product line with a field-proven operational history (that is, it has not simply been tested in a laboratory or experimental environment). If any of the equipment or software bid is a fully compatible extension of a field-proven product line, it must have been publicly announced on or before the bid closing date. By submitting a bid, the Bidder is certifying that all the equipment and software bid is off-the-shelf.

5.5 Software Publisher Certification and Software Publisher Authorization

- (a) If the Bidder is the Software Publisher for any of the proprietary software component(s) it bids, Canada requires that the Bidder confirm in writing that it is the Software Publisher. Bidders are requested to use the Software Publisher Certification Form included with the bid solicitation. Although all the contents of the Software Publisher Certification Form are required, using the form itself to provide this information is not mandatory. For bidders who use an alternate form, it is in Canada's sole discretion to determine whether all the required information has been provided. Alterations to the statements in the form may result in the bid being declared non-responsive.
- (b) Any Bidder that is not the Software Publisher of all the proprietary software products or components proposed in its bid is required to submit proof of the Software Publisher's authorization, which must be signed by the Software Publisher (not the Bidder). No Contract will be awarded to a Bidder who is not the Software Publisher of all of the proprietary software it proposes to supply to Canada, unless proof of this authorization has been provided to Canada. If the proprietary software proposed by the Bidder originates with multiple Software Publishers, authorization is required from each Software Publisher. Bidders are requested to use the Software Publisher Authorization Form included with the bid solicitation. Although all the contents of the Software Publisher Authorization Form are required, using the form itself to provide this information is not mandatory. For Bidders/Software Publishers who use an alternate form, it is in Canada's sole discretion to determine whether all the required information has been provided. Alterations to the statements in the form may result in the bid being declared non-responsive.
- (c) In this bid solicitation, “Software Publisher” means the owner of the copyright in any software included in the bid, who has the right to license (and authorize others to license/sub-license) its software products.

5.6 Code of Conduct Certifications - Certifications Required Precedent to Contract Award

Bidders should provide with their bids a complete list of names of all individuals who are currently directors of the Bidder. If such a list has not been received by the time the evaluation of bids is

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completed, the Contracting Authority will inform the Bidder of a time frame within which to provide the information. Bidders must submit the list of directors before contract award, failure to provide such a list within the required time frame will render the bid non-responsive.

The Contracting Authority may, at any time, request that a Bidder provide properly completed and Signed Consent Forms (*Consent to a Criminal Record Verification form - PWGSC-TPSGC 229*) for any or all individuals named in the aforementioned list within a specified delay. Failure to provide such Consent Forms within the delay will result in the bid being declared non-responsive.

PART 6 - SECURITY, FINANCIAL AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS

6.1 Security Requirement

Before award of a contract, the following conditions must be met:

- (a) The Contractor/Offeror must, at all times during the performance of the Contract/Standing Offer, hold a valid Designated Organization Screening (DOS), issued by the Canadian Industrial Security Directorate (CISD), Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC).
- (b) The Contractor/Offeror personnel requiring access to PROTECTED information, assets or sensitive work site(s) must EACH hold a valid RELIABILITY STATUS, granted or approved by CISD/PWGSC.
- (c) The Contractor/Offeror MUST NOT remove any PROTECTED information or assets from the identified work site(s), and the Contractor/Offeror must ensure that its personnel are made aware of and comply with this restriction.
- (d) Subcontracts which contain security requirements are NOT to be awarded without the prior written permission of CISD/PWGSC.
- (e) The Contractor/Offeror must comply with the provisions of the:
 - (i) Security Requirements Check List and security guide (if applicable), attached at Annex C;
 - (i) Industrial Security Manual (Latest Edition).
- (f) For additional information on security requirements, bidders should consult the "Security Requirements for PWGSC Bid Solicitations - Instructions to Bidders" document (<http://tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/app-acq/lc-pl/lc-pl-eng.html#a31>) on the Departmental Standard Procurement Documents Website.

6.2 Financial Capability

- (a) SACC Manual clause A9033T (2012-07-16) Financial Capability applies, except that subsection 3 is deleted and replaced with the following: "If the Bidder is a subsidiary of another company, then any financial information required by the Contracting Authority in 1(a) to (f) must also be provided by each level of parent company, up to and including the ultimate parent company. The financial information of a parent company does not satisfy the requirement for the provision of the financial information of the Bidder; however, if the Bidder is a subsidiary of a company and, in the normal course of business, the required financial information is not generated separately for the subsidiary, the financial information of the parent company must be provided. If Canada determines that the Bidder is not financially capable but the parent company is, or if Canada is unable to perform a separate assessment of the Bidder's financial capability because its financial information has been combined with its parent's, Canada may, in its sole discretion, award the contract to the Bidder on the condition that one or more parent companies grant a performance guarantee to Canada."

PART 7 - RESULTING CONTRACT CLAUSES

The following clauses apply to and form part of any contract resulting from the bid solicitation.

7.1 Requirement

- (a) _____ (the "**Contractor**") agrees to supply to the Client the goods and services described in the Contract, including the Statement of Requirements and the Contractor's Technical Bid dated _____, in accordance with, and at the prices set out in, the Contract. This includes:
- (i) granting the license to use the Licensed Software described in the Contract;
 - (ii) providing the Software Documentation;
 - (iii) providing maintenance and support for the Licensed Software during the Software Support Period;
 - (iv) providing professional services, "as and when requested" by Canada;
 - (v) providing training, "as and when requested" by Canada,
- (b) **Client:** Under the Contract, the "**Client**" is **Elections Canada**.
- (c) **Reorganization of Client:** The Contractor's obligation to perform the Work will not be affected by (and no additional fees will be payable as a result of) the renaming, reorganization, reconfiguration, or restructuring of any Client. The reorganization, reconfiguration and restructuring of the Client includes the privatization of the Client, its merger with another entity, or its dissolution, where that dissolution is followed by the creation of another entity or entities with mandates similar to the original Client. In connection with any form of reorganization, Canada may designate another department or government body as the Contracting Authority or Technical Authority, as required to reflect the new roles and responsibilities associated with the reorganization.
- (d) **Defined Terms:** Words and expressions defined in the General Conditions or Supplemental General Conditions and used in the Contract have the meanings given to them in the General Conditions or Supplemental General Conditions. Also, the following words and expressions have the following meanings:
- (i) any reference to a "**deliverable**" or "**deliverables**" includes the Hardware, the license to use the Licensed Software (the Licensed Software itself is not a deliverable, because the Licensed Software is only being licensed under the Contract).

7.2 Optional Goods and/or Services

- (a) The Contractor grants to Canada the irrevocable option to acquire the goods, services or both described at Annex B - Table 2 of the Contract under the same terms and conditions and at the prices and/or rates stated in the Contract. The option may only be exercised by the Contracting Authority by notice in writing and will be evidenced, for administrative purposes only, through a contract amendment.

7.3 Task Authorization

- (a) **As-and-when-requested Task Authorizations:** The Work or a portion of the Work to be performed under the Contract will be on an "as-and-when-requested basis" using a Task Authorization (TA). The Work described in the TA must be in accordance with the scope of the Contract. The Contractor must not commence work until an authorized TA has been received by the Contractor. The Contractor acknowledges that any work performed before an authorized TA has been received will be done at the Contractor's own risk.

(b) Form and Content of Task Authorization:

- (i) The Technical Authority will provide the Contractor with a description of the task using the "Task Authorization" form specified in Annex C.
- (ii) The Task Authorization will contain the details of the activities to be performed, a description of the deliverables, and a schedule indicating completion dates for the major activities or submission dates for the deliverables. The TA will also include the applicable basis (bases) and methods of payment as specified in the Contract.
- (iii) A Task Authorization must also contain the following information, if applicable:
 - (A) the task number;
 - (B) The date by which the Contractor's response must be received (which will appear in the draft Task Authorization, but not the issued Task Authorization);
 - (C) the details of any financial coding to be used;
 - (D) the categories of resources and the number required;
 - (E) a description of the work for the task outlining the activities to be performed and identifying any deliverables (such as reports);
 - (F) the start and completion dates;
 - (G) milestone dates for deliverables and payments (if applicable);
 - (H) the number of person-days of effort required;
 - (I) whether the work requires on-site activities and the location;
 - (J) the language profile of the resources required;
 - (K) the level of security clearance required of resources;
 - (L) the price payable to the Contractor for performing the task, with an indication of whether it is a firm price or a maximum TA price (and, for maximum price task authorizations, the TA must indicate how the final amount payable will be determined; where the TA does not indicate how the final amount payable will be determined, the amount payable is the amount, up to the maximum, that the Contractor demonstrates was actually worked on the project, by submitting time sheets filled in at the time of the work by the individual resources to support the charges); and
 - (M) any other constraints that might affect the completion of the task.

(c) Contractor's Response to Draft Task Authorization: The Contractor must provide the Technical Authority, within 5 working days of receiving the draft Task Authorization (or within any longer time period specified in the draft TA), the proposed total estimated cost for performing the task and a breakdown of that cost, established in accordance with the Basis of Payment specified in the Contract. The Contractor's quotation must be based on the rates set out in the Contract. The Contractor will not be paid for preparing or providing its response or for providing other information required to prepare and issue the TA.

(d) Task Authorization Limit and Authorities for Validly Issuing Task Authorizations:

- (i) The Technical Authority may authorize individual task authorizations up to a limit of \$25,000, Goods and Services Tax or Harmonized Sales Tax included, inclusive of any revisions.
- (ii) Any task authorization to be issued in excess of that limit must be authorized by the Technical Authority and Contracting Authority before issuance.
- (iii) The Contracting Authority may suspend the ability of the Technical Authority to authorize TAs by sending a notice to the Contractor which is effective upon receipt, in which case all TAs must be authorized by both the Technical Authority and Contracting Authority, regardless of value.

- (iv) The Contractor must not commence work until a TA authorized in accordance with all the provisions of this Article has been received by the Contractor. The Contractor acknowledges that any work performed before a TA has been validly issued will be done at the Contractor's own risk.

(e) Periodic Usage Reports:

- (i) The Contractor must compile and maintain records on its provision of services to the federal government under authorized TAs issued under the Contract. The Contractor must provide this data to Canada in accordance with the reporting requirements detailed below. If any required information is not available, the Contractor must indicate the reason. If services are not provided during a given period, the Contractor must still provide a "NIL" report. The Contractor must submit the periodic usage reports on a "*quarterly basis*" to the Contracting Authority. From time to time, the Contracting Authority may also require an interim report during a reporting period.

- (ii) The quarterly periods are defined as follows:

- (A) April 1 to June 30;
 (B) July 1 to September 30;
 (C) October 1 to December 31; and
 (D) January 1 to March 31.

The data must be submitted to the Contracting Authority no later than 7 calendar days after the end of the reporting period.

- (iii) Each report must contain the following information for each validly issued TA:

- (A) the Task Authorization number and the Task Authorization Revision number(s), if applicable;
 (B) a title or a brief description of the task;
 (C) the name, Category of Personnel and level of each resource involved in performing the TA, as applicable;
 (D) the total estimated cost specified in the TA (GST or HST extra);
 (E) the total amount (GST or HST extra) expended to date;
 (F) the start and completion date; and
 (G) the active status, as applicable (e.g., indicate whether work is in progress or if Canada has cancelled or suspended the TA, etc.).

- (iv) Each report must also contain the following cumulative information for all the validly issued TAs (as amended):

- (A) the amount (GST or HST extra) specified in the contract (as last amended, if applicable) as Canada's total liability to the contractor for all authorized TAs; and
 (B) the total amount, GST or HST extra, expended to date against all validly issued tasks.

- (f) Consolidation of TAs for Administrative Purposes:** The Contract may be amended from time to time to reflect all Task Authorizations issued and approved by the Contracting Authority to date, to document the Work performed under those TAs for administrative purposes.

7.4 Standard Clauses and Conditions

All clauses and conditions identified in the Contract by number, date and title are set out in the Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions Manual (<http://ccua-sacc.pwgsc.gc.ca/pub/acho-eng.jsp>) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

(a) General Conditions:

- (i) 2030 (2012-11-19), General Conditions - Higher Complexity - Goods, apply to and form part of the Contract.

The text under Subsection 04 of Section 43 – Code of Conduct and Certifications of 2030 referenced above is replaced by:

During the entire period of the Contract, the Contractor must diligently update, by written notice to the Contracting Authority, the list of names of all individuals who are directors of the Contractor whenever there is a change. As well, whenever requested by Canada, the Contractor must provide the corresponding Consent Forms.

(b) Supplemental General Conditions:

The following Supplemental General Conditions:

- (i) 4003 (2010-08-16), Supplemental General Conditions - Licensed Software;
(ii) 4004 (2010-08-16), Supplemental General Conditions - Maintenance and Support Services for Licensed Software;

7.5 Security Requirement

- (a) The Contractor/Offeror must, at all times during the performance of the Contract/Standing Offer, hold a valid Designated Organization Screening (DOS), issued by the Canadian Industrial Security Directorate (CISD), Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC).
- (b) The Contractor/Offeror personnel requiring access to PROTECTED information, assets or sensitive work site(s) must EACH hold a valid RELIABILITY STATUS, granted or approved by CISD/PWGSC.
- (c) The Contractor/Offeror MUST NOT remove any PROTECTED information or assets from the identified work site(s), and the Contractor/Offeror must ensure that its personnel are made aware of and comply with this restriction.
- (d) Subcontracts which contain security requirements are NOT to be awarded without the prior written permission of CISD/PWGSC.
- (e) The Contractor/Offeror must comply with the provisions of the:
- (i) Security Requirements Check List and security guide (if applicable), attached at Annex C;
(ii) Industrial Security Manual (Latest Edition).

7.6 Contract Period

- (a) Contract Period:** The “**Contract Period**” is the entire period of time during which the Contractor is obliged to perform the Work, which includes:
- (i) The “**Initial Contract Period**”, which begins on the date the Contract is awarded and ends 1 year(s) later; and
- (ii) The period during which the Contract is extended, if Canada chooses to exercise any options set out in the Contract.
- (b) Option to Extend the Contract:**
- (i) The Contractor grants to Canada the irrevocable option to extend the term of the Contract by up to 5 additional 1-year period(s) under the same terms and conditions. The Contractor agrees that, during the extended period of the Contract, it will be paid in accordance with the applicable provisions set out in the Basis of Payment.
- (ii) Canada may exercise this option at any time by sending a written notice to the Contractor at least 5 calendar days before the expiry date of the Contract. The option may only be

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

7.7 Delivery Date

All the deliverables must be received within 10 days of contract award.

7.8 Authorities

(a) Contracting Authority

The Contracting Authority for the Contract is:

Name **Peter Lessard**

Title: A/Supply Specialist

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The Contracting Authority is responsible for the management of the Contract and any changes to the Contract must be authorized in writing by the Contracting Authority. The Contractor must not perform work in excess of or outside the scope of the Contract based on verbal or written requests or instructions from anybody other than the Contracting Authority.

(b) Technical Authority

The Technical Authority for the Contract is:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Facsimile: _____

E-mail address: _____

The Technical Authority is responsible for all matters concerning the technical content of the Work under the Contract. Technical matters may be discussed with the Technical Authority; however, the Technical Authority has no authority to authorize changes to the scope of the Work. Changes to the scope of the Work can only be made through a contract amendment issued by the Contracting Authority.

(c) Contractor's Representative

(Note to bidders: Information will be completed by the contracting authority at Contract Award.)

7.9 Payment

(a) Basis of Payment

- (i) **Licensed Software:** For the license to use the Licensed Software (including delivery and the Software Documentation, in accordance with the Contract, Canada will pay the Contractor the firm prices(s) set out in Annex B - Table 1, FOB destination, including all

customs duties, GST/HST extra. The firm prices include the warranty during the Software Warranty Period.

Estimated Cost: \$ _____

- (ii) Maintenance and Support for Licensed Software:** For maintenance and support services throughout the initial Software Support Period, in accordance with the Contract, Canada will pay the Contractor, in advance, the firm price(s) set out in Annex B - Table 1, FOB destination, including all customs duties, GST/HST extra.

Estimated Cost: \$ _____

- (iii) Optional Software Support:** If Canada exercises its option to extend the Software Support Period, Canada will pay the Contractor the firm annual price set out in Annex B - Table 2, FOB destination, including all customs duties, GST/HST extra.

Estimated Cost: \$ _____

- (iv) Professional Services provided under a Task Authorization with a Firm Price:** For professional services "as and when" requested by Canada, in accordance with an approved Task Authorization, Canada will pay the Contractor the firm price set out in the Task Authorization (based on the firm, all-inclusive per diem rates set out in Annex B - Table 3, GST/HST extra.

Estimated Cost: \$ _____

- (v) Training:** For training courses, "as and when" requested by Canada during the Contract Period, Canada will pay the Contractor the firm price per diem set out in Annex B - Table 4, upon completion of the course, GST/HST extra.

Estimated Cost: \$ _____

- (vi) Pre-Authorized Travel and Living Expenses**

Canada will not pay any travel or living expenses associated with performing the Work.

- (vii) Competitive Award:** The Contractor acknowledges that the Contract has been awarded as a result of a competitive process. No additional charges will be allowed to compensate for errors, oversights, misconceptions or underestimates made by the Contractor when bidding for the Contract.

- (viii) Professional Services Rates:** In Canada's experience, bidders from time to time propose rates at the time of bidding for one or more categories of resources that they later refuse to honour, on the basis that these rates do not allow them to recover their own costs and/or make a profit. This denies Canada of the benefit of the awarded contract. If the Contractor does not respond or refuses to provide an individual with the qualifications described in the Contract within the time described in the Contract (or proposes instead to provide someone from an alternate category at a different rate), whether or not Canada terminates the Contract as a whole or in part, Canada may impose sanctions or take other measures in accordance with the PWGSC Vendor Performance Corrective Measure Policy (or equivalent) then in effect, which measures may include an assessment that results in conditions applied against the Contractor to be fulfilled before doing further business with Canada, or full debarment of the Contractor from bidding on future requirements.

- (ix) Purpose of Estimates:** All estimated costs contained in the Contract are included solely for the administrative purposes of Canada and do not represent a commitment on the part of Canada to purchase goods or services in these amounts. Any commitment to purchase specific amounts or values of goods or services is described elsewhere in the Contract.

- (b) Limitation of Expenditure**

Canada will not pay the Contractor for any design changes, modifications or interpretations of the Work unless they have been approved, in writing, by the Contracting Authority before their incorporation into the Work.

(c) Method of Payment for Task Authorizations with a Firm Price - Lump Sum Payment on

Completion: Canada will pay the Contractor upon completion and delivery of all the Work associated with the Task Authorization in accordance with the payment provisions of the Contract if:

- (i) an accurate and complete invoice and any other documents required by the Contract have been submitted in accordance with the invoicing instructions provided in the Contract;
- (ii) all such documents have been verified by Canada;
- (iii) the Work delivered has been accepted by Canada.

(d) Method of Payment - Advance Payment

- (i) Canada will pay the Contractor in advance for the Software Maintenance and Support services if:
 - (A) An accurate and complete invoice and any other documents required by the Contract have been submitted in accordance with the invoicing instructions provided in the Contract;
 - (B) All such documents have been verified by Canada.
- (ii) Payment in advance does not prevent Canada from exercising any or all potential remedies in relation to this payment or any of the Work, if the Work performed later proves to be unacceptable.

(e) SACC Manual Clauses

- (i) *H3028C (2010-01-11), Advance Payment*

7.10 Invoicing Instructions

- (a) The Contractor must submit invoices in accordance with the information required in the General Conditions.
- (b) The Contractor's invoice must include a separate line item for each subparagraph in the Basis of Payment provision.
- (c) By submitting invoices (other than for any items subject to an advance payment), the Contractor is certifying that the goods and services have been delivered and that all charges are in accordance with the Basis of Payment provision of the Contract, including any charges for work performed by subcontractors.
- (d) The Contractor must provide the original of each invoice to the Technical Authority, and a copy to the Contracting Authority.

7.11 Certifications

- (a) Compliance with the certifications provided by the Contractor in its bid is a condition of the Contract and subject to verification by Canada during the entire Contract Period. If the Contractor does not comply with any certification or it is determined that any certification made by the Contractor in its bid is untrue, whether made knowingly or unknowingly, Canada has the right, under the default provision of the Contract, to terminate the Contract for default.

7.12 Applicable Laws

The Contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in Ontario.

7.13 Priority of Documents

If there is a discrepancy between the wording of any documents that appear on the following list, the wording of the document that first appears on the list has priority over the wording of any document that appears later on the list:

- (a) these Articles of Agreement, including any individual SACC clauses incorporated by reference in these Articles of Agreement;
- (b) supplemental general conditions, in the following order:
 - (i) 4003 (2010-08-16) Supplemental General Conditions - Licensed Software;
 - (ii) 4004 (2010-08-16) Supplemental General Conditions - Maintenance and Support Services for Licensed Software;
- (c) 2030 (2012-11-19) General Conditions - Higher Complexity - Goods;
- (d) Annex A, Statement of Requirement;
- (e) Annex B, Basis of Payment;
- (f) Annex C, Security Requirements Check List;
- (g) the signed Task Authorizations;
- (h) the Contractor's bid dated _____, as amended _____, not including any software publisher license terms and conditions that may be included in the bid, not including any provisions in the bid with respect to limitations on liability, and not including any terms and conditions incorporated by reference (including by way of a web link) in the bid.

7.14 Foreign Nationals (Canadian Contractor)

- (a) SACC Manual clause A2000C (2006-06-16) Foreign Nationals (Canadian Contractor)

Note to Bidders: *Either this clause or the one that follows, whichever applies (based on whether the successful bidder is a Canadian Contractor or Foreign Contractor), will be included in any resulting contract.*

7.15 Foreign Nationals (Foreign Contractor)

- (a) SACC Manual clause A2001C (2006-06-16) Foreign Nationals (Foreign Contractor)

7.16 Insurance Requirements

- (a) SACC Manual clause G1005C (2008-05-12) Insurance Requirements

7.17 Limitation of Liability - Information Management/Information Technology

- (a) This section applies despite any other provision of the Contract and replaces the section of the general conditions entitled "Liability". Any reference in this section to damages caused by the Contractor also includes damages caused by its employees, as well as its subcontractors, agents, and representatives, and any of their employees. This section applies regardless of whether the claim is based in contract, tort, or another cause of action. The Contractor is not liable to Canada with respect to the performance of or failure to perform the Contract, except as described in this section and in any section of the Contract pre-establishing any liquidated damages. The Contractor is only liable for indirect, special or consequential damages to the extent described in this Article, even if it has been made aware of the potential for those damages.

(b) First Party Liability:

- (i) The Contractor is fully liable for all damages to Canada, including indirect, special or consequential damages, caused by the Contractor's performance or failure to perform the Contract that relate to:
 - (A) any infringement of intellectual property rights to the extent the Contractor breaches the section of the General Conditions entitled "Intellectual Property Infringement and Royalties";
 - (B) physical injury, including death.
- (ii) The Contractor is liable for all direct damages affecting real or tangible personal property owned, possessed, or occupied by Canada.
- (iii) Each of the Parties is liable for all direct damages resulting from its breach of confidentiality under the Contract. Each of the Parties is also liable for all indirect, special or consequential damages in respect of its unauthorized disclosure of the other Party's trade secrets (or trade secrets of a third party provided by one Party to another under the Contract) relating to information technology.
- (iv) The Contractor is liable for all direct damages relating to any encumbrance or claim relating to any portion of the Work for which Canada has made any payment. This does not apply to encumbrances or claims relating to intellectual property rights, which are addressed under (i)(A) above.
- (v) The Contractor is also liable for any other direct damages to Canada caused by the Contractor in any way relating to the Contract including:
 - (A) any breach of the warranty obligations under the Contract, up to the total amount paid by Canada (including any applicable taxes) for the goods and services affected by the breach of warranty; and
 - (B) any other direct damages, including all identifiable direct costs to Canada associated with re-procuring the Work from another party if the Contract is terminated by Canada either in whole or in part for default, up to an aggregate maximum for this subparagraph (B) of the greater of 1.25 times the total estimated cost (meaning the dollar amount shown on the first page of the Contract in the cell titled "Total Estimated Cost" or shown on each call-up, purchase order or other document used to order goods or services under this instrument), or \$1M.

In any case, the total liability of the Contractor under subparagraph (v) will not exceed the total estimated cost (as defined above) for the Contract or \$1M, whichever is more.
- (vi) If Canada's records or data are harmed as a result of the Contractor's negligence or willful act, the Contractor's only liability is, at the Contractor's own expense, to restore Canada's records and data using the most recent back-up kept by Canada. Canada is responsible for maintaining an adequate back-up of its records and data.

(c) Third Party Claims:

- (i) Regardless of whether a third party makes its claim against Canada or the Contractor, each Party agrees that it is liable for any damages that it causes to any third party in connection with the Contract as set out in a settlement agreement or as finally determined by a court of competent jurisdiction, where the court determines that the Parties are jointly and severally liable or that one Party is solely and directly liable to the third party. The amount of the liability will be the amount set out in the settlement agreement or determined by the court to have been the Party's portion of the damages to the third party. No settlement agreement is binding on a Party unless its authorized representative has approved the agreement in writing.
- (ii) If Canada is required, as a result of joint and several liability, to pay a third party in respect of damages caused by the Contractor, the Contractor must reimburse Canada by the amount finally determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be the Contractor's portion of the

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damages to the third party. However, despite Sub-article (i), with respect to special, indirect, and consequential damages of third parties covered by this Section, the Contractor is only liable for reimbursing Canada for the Contractor's portion of those damages that Canada is required by a court to pay to a third party as a result of joint and several liability that relate to the infringement of a third party's intellectual property rights; physical injury of a third party, including death; damages affecting a third party's real or tangible personal property; liens or encumbrances on any portion of the Work; or breach of confidentiality.

- (iii) The Parties are only liable to one another for damages to third parties to the extent described in this Sub-article (c).

7.18 Licensed Software

- (a) With respect to the provisions of Supplemental General Conditions 4003:

Licensed Software	The Licensed Software, which is defined in 4003, includes all the products offered by the Contractor in its bid, and any other software code required for those products to function in accordance with the Software Documentation and the Specifications, including without limitation all of the following products: _____ [this information will be completed at contract award using information in the Contractor's bid]
Type of License being Granted	Perpetual Site License (As described in Annex B)
Language of Licensed Software	The Licensed Software must be provided in English
Delivery Location	Elections Canada 180 Kent St - 13th Floor Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0B6
Installation Site	Elections Canada 350 King Edward Ave. Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0B6
Media on which Licensed Software must be Delivered	CD-ROM or Internet Download.

- (b) **On-going Maintenance of Software Code:** The Contractor must continue to maintain the version of the Licensed Software (i.e., the version or "build" originally licensed under the Contract) as a commercial product (i.e., the Contractor or the software publisher must be continuing to develop new code in respect of the Licensed Software to maintain its functionality, enhance it, and deal with Software Errors) for at least 2 years from the date the Contract is awarded. After that time, if the Contractor or the software publisher decides to discontinue or no longer maintain the then-current version or "build" of the Licensed Software and, instead, decides to provide upgrades to the Licensed Software as part of the Software Support, the Contractor must provide written notice to Canada at least 12 months in advance of the discontinuation.

7.19 Licensed Software Maintenance and Support

- (a) With respect to the provisions of Supplemental General Conditions 4004:

Software Support Period	1 Year Periods
Option to Extend Software Support Period	The Contractor grants to Canada the irrevocable option(s) to extend the Software Support Period by 5 additional 12-month periods, exercisable at any time during the Contract Period. The Contractor agrees that, during the entire Software Support Period, the prices will be those set out in Annex B,

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	Table 2. The option(s) may only be exercised by the Contracting Authority by notice in writing and will be evidenced, for administrative purposes only, by a contract amendment.
Contact Information for Accessing the Contractor's Support Services	In accordance with Section 5 of 4004, the Contractor will make its Support Services available through the following: Toll-free Telephone Access: _____ Toll-free Fax Access: _____ Email Access: _____ The Contractor must respond to all telephone, fax or email communications (with a live service agent) within 60 minutes of the initial time of the Client or User's initial communication. <i>[Note to Bidders: This information will be completed at the time of contract award with information supplied by the Contractor. Bidders are requested to provide this information in their bids.]</i>
Website	In accordance with Section 5 of 4004, the Contractor must make Support Services available over the Internet. To do so, the Contractor must include, as a minimum, frequently asked questions and on-line software diagnostic routines and support tools. Despite the Hours for Providing Support Services, the Contractor's website must be available to Canada's users 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, and must be available 99% of the time. The Contractor's website address for web support is _____. <i>[Note to Bidders: The website address will be completed at the time of contract award with information supplied by the Contractor. Bidders are requested to provide this information in their bids.]</i>
Language of Support Services	The Support Services must be provided in English.

7.20 Training

(a) Providing Software Training:

- (i) The Contractor must provide classroom training on the software products that form part of the Software Solution on an "as-and-when-requested" basis during the Contract Period when a Task Authorization for training is issued in accordance with the Contract.
- (ii) The training must be provided as requested in the Task Authorization.
- (iii) The training must be available within 15 working days of the Task Authorization being issued.
- (iv) The training, including both the instruction and the course materials, must be provided in English.
- (v) Before providing any training, at least 10 working days in advance of the first training session, the Contractor must submit the course syllabus and schedule, the training materials, and the names and qualifications of the instructors to the Technical Authority for approval.

7.21 Professional Services - General

- (a) The Contractor must provide "as and when requested" professional services relating to the installation, integration, configuration, implementation, and deployment of the Licensed Software. All resources provided by the Contractor must meet the qualifications described in the Contract (including those relating to previous experience, professional designation, education, language

proficiency and security clearance) and must be competent to provide the required services by any delivery dates described in the Contract.

- (b) If the Contractor fails to deliver any deliverable or complete any task described in the Contract on time, in addition to any other rights or remedies available to Canada under the Contract or the law, Canada may notify the Contractor of the deficiency, in which case the Contractor must submit a written plan to the Technical Authority within ten working days detailing the actions that the Contractor will undertake to remedy the deficiency. The Contractor must prepare and implement the plan at its own expense.
- (c) **Access:** Canada will provide to the Contractor any information regarding any passwords, authorization codes or similar information that might be necessary to perform the Software Services, provided that in doing so Canada is not in default of any obligations regarding the use of the Pre-Existing Software. The Contractor agrees that it is a term of the Contract that it will not disclose or distribute any part of the Pre-Existing Software to any other person or entity or otherwise violate the proprietary rights of the owner of the Pre-Existing Software.

7.22 Safeguarding Electronic Media

- (a) Before using them on Canada's equipment or sending them to Canada, the Contractor must use a regularly updated product to scan electronically all electronic media used to perform the Work for computer viruses and other coding intended to cause malfunctions. The Contractor must notify Canada if any electronic media used for the Work are found to contain computer viruses or other coding intended to cause malfunctions.
- (b) If magnetically recorded information or documentation is damaged or lost while in the Contractor's care or at any time before it is delivered to Canada in accordance with the Contract, including accidental erasure, the Contractor must immediately replace it at its own expense.

7.23 Access to Canada's Property and Facilities

Canada's property, facilities, equipment, documentation, and personnel are not automatically available to the Contractor. If the Contractor would like access to any of these, it is responsible for making a request to the Technical Authority. Unless expressly stated in the Contract, Canada has no obligation to provide any of these to the Contractor. If Canada chooses, in its discretion, to make its property, facilities, equipment, documentation or personnel available to the Contractor to perform the Work, Canada may require an adjustment to the Basis of Payment and additional security requirements may apply.

7.24 Termination for Convenience

With respect to Article 32 of 2030, if applicable, subarticle 4 is deleted and replaced with the following subsections 4, 5 and 6:

4. The total of the amounts, to which the Contractor is entitled to be paid under this section, together with any amounts paid, due or becoming due to the Contractor must not exceed the Contract Price.

5. Where the Contracting Authority terminates the entire Contract and the Articles of Agreement include a Minimum Work Guarantee, the total amount to be paid to the Contractor under the Contract will not exceed the greater of

(a) the total amount the Contractor may be paid under this section, together with any amounts paid, becoming due other than payable under the Minimum Revenue Guarantee, or due to the Contractor as of the date of termination, or

(b) the amount payable under the Minimum Work Guarantee, less any amounts paid, due or otherwise becoming due to the Contractor as of the date of termination.

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6. The Contractor will have no claim for damages, compensation, loss of profit, allowance arising out of any termination notice given by Canada under this section except to the extent that this section expressly provides. The Contractor agrees to repay immediately to Canada the portion of any advance payment that is unliquidated at the date of the termination.

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ANNEX A

STATEMENT OF REQUIREMENTS (SOR)

DATA MASKING SOLUTION

FOR

ELECTIONS CANADA

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ANNEX B**BASIS OF PAYMENT****TABLE 1 - FIRM UNIT PRICE INITIAL LICENSED SOFTWARE AND SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT SERVICES**

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	FIRM PRICE
1	For the supply and delivery of a Perpetual Site License for the Data Masking Solution for Unlimited Databases and Unlimited Users, including 1 Year Software Maintenance and Support Services	
	Sub-total:	
	Total:	

TABLE 2 - FIRM UNIT PRICE FOR THE OPTIONAL SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT SERVICES

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	FIRM UNIT PRICE - SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT
1	Software Maintenance and Support Services for the Data Masking Solution Option Year 1	
2	Software Maintenance and Support Services for the Data Masking Solution Option Year 2	
3	Software Maintenance and Support Services for the Data Masking Solution Option Year 3	
4	Software Maintenance and Support Services for the Data Masking Solution Option Year 4	
5	Software Maintenance and Support Services for the Data Masking Solution Option Year 5	
	Sub-total:	
	Total:	

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TABLE 3 - FIRM ALL INCLUSIVE PER DIEM RATES FOR OPTIONAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED ON AN "AS AND WHEN REQUESTED BASIS"

"As and when requested basis" Professional Services as detailed in Article 7.1 (iv): For the provision of professional services, all as detailed in this Contract, as and when requested by Canada, in accordance with an approved Task Authorization detailed in **Article 7.3**.

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	CEILING PER DIEM RATE (A)	NO. OF DAYS FOR EVALUATION PURPOSES ONLY (B)	EXTENDED PRICE FOR EVALUATION PURPOSES (C) = (A x B)
DATA MASKING SYSTEM CONSULTANT				
1	Contract Year 1	\$	20	\$
2	Option Year 1	\$	10	\$
3	Option Year 2	\$	10	\$
4	Option Year 3	\$	10	\$
5	Option Year 4	\$	10	\$
6	Option Year 5	\$	10	\$
FOR EVALUATION PURPOSES, THE SUM OF THE EXTENDED PRICE UNDER COLUMN (C) WILL BE USED TO CALCULATE THE TOTAL BID PRICE.				Total:

TABLE 4 - FIRM ALL INCLUSIVE PRICE PER DIEM FOR TRAINING ON AN "AS AND WHEN REQUESTED" BASIS

"As and when requested basis" Training Services as detailed in Article 7.1(v): For the provision of Training services, all as detailed in this Contract, as and when requested by Canada, in accordance with an approved Task Authorization detailed in **Article 7.3**. The amounts below are for classroom training at the Contractor's facilities. The Maximum Classroom size is 12 students.

ITEM NO	DESCRIPTION	CEILING PRICE PER DIEM/DAY (A)	NO. OF DAYS FOR EVALUATION PURPOSES ONLY (B)	EXTENDED PRICE FOR EVALUATION PURPOSES (C) = (A x B)
1	Contract Year 1	\$	20	\$
2	Option Year 1	\$	10	\$
3	Option Year 2	\$	5	\$
4	Option Year 3	\$	5	\$
5	Option Year 4	\$	5	\$
6	Option Year 5	\$	5	\$
FOR EVALUATION PURPOSES, THE SUM OF THE EXTENDED PRICE UNDER COLUMN (C) WILL BE USED TO CALCULATE THE TOTAL BID PRICE.				Total:

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TABLE 5 - TOTAL BID PRICE(TBP) FOR EVALUATION PURPOSES

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	FORMULA	TOTAL PRICE
1	For the supply of initial Software requirement, documentation, warranty, maintenance and support services as detailed in Table 1.	Total from Table 1	
2	For the supply of optional software maintenance and support services on the initial requirement as detailed in Table 2.	Total from Table 2	
3	For the optional requirement of Professional Services comprising installation, integration, configuration and implementation as detailed in Table 3.	Total from Table 3	
4	For the optional requirement of Training Service as detailed in Table 4.	Total from Table 4	
Total Bid Price (TBP) for Evaluation Purposes:			

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ANNEX C

SECURITY REQUIREMENTS CHECK LIST

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ANNEX D
TASK AUTHORIZATION (TA)

Contractor:		Contract No.:	
Financial Code:			
Task Authorization No.:		Date:	
1.0 DESCRIPTION OF THE TASK / WORK TO BE PERFORMED			
2.0 PERIOD OF SERVICES			
From:		To:	
3.0 SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED FOR: (LOCATION / ADDRESS)			
4.0 AUTHORITIES			
Technical Authority:		Responsibility Centre:	
_____		_____	
5.0 COST			
Category and Level of Personnel	Per Diem Rate	No. of Days to Perform the Tasks/Work	Total
	\$		\$
	\$		\$
	\$		\$
	\$		\$
	\$		\$
		ESTIMATED PRICE	\$
		GST/HST	\$
		TOTAL	\$
Travel and Living Expenses: Canada will not pay any travel or living expenses associated with performing the work.			
		GST/HST	\$
		TOTAL	\$
		GRAND TOTAL	\$
You are requested to sell to Her Majesty The Queen in right of Canada, in accordance with the terms and conditions set out herein, referred to herein or attached hereto, the services listed herein and on any attached sheets at the price set out therefore.			
6.0 AUTHORIZED SIGNING AUTHORITIES			
Technical Authority:	Signature:	Date:	
Contractor Signing Authority:	Signature:	Date:	
Contract Signing Authority:	Signature:	Date:	

ANNEX F DEFINITIONS

"Renames" means an upgrade to the Licensed Software where the product name is changed, but the new software product has similar features and functionality as the Licensed Software, regardless of whether the Contractor refers to it as a "rename".

"Bug Fixes" means a temporary work-around, patch, or bypass to update the program code to correct errors or defects.

"Error" means any software instructions or statement contained in (or absent from) the Licensed Program that, by its presence or absence, prevents the Licensed Software from operating in accordance with the Specifications.

"Enhancement" also often referred to as an **"interim release"** means an interim release version of the Licensed Software, which is often documented by adding a further decimal and digit to the version or release number (e.g., V.X.X.2 would be the next enhancement after V.X.X.1).

"Upgrades (minor)" means an update to the Licensed Software to add, extend, enhance and/or improve the existing features, functionality and/or performance of the program code, which is documented by a version or build number change to the right of the first decimal (e.g., Product X Version 1.0 changes to Product X Version 1.1 or Product X Version 1.0.0 changes to Product X Version 1.0.1), regardless of whether the Contractor refers to it as a "minor upgrade".

"Upgrades (major)" means an update to the Licensed Software to add, extend, enhance and/or improve the existing features, functionality and/or performance of the program code, which is documented by a version or build number change to the left of the first decimal (e.g., Product X Version 1.3 changes to Product 2.0 or Product X Version 1.1.5 changes to Product X Version 2.0.0), regardless of whether the Contractor refers to it as a "major upgrade".

"New Release" means a system release, a version release, and interim release of the Licensed Software, regardless of whether the Contractor refers to it as a "new release".

"Extensions" means an update to the Licensed Software that extends the features, functionality or performance of the Licensed Software program code, regardless of whether the Contractor refers to it as an "extension".

"Software Patches" means an engineering fix to a problem that may be incorporated into a new release to update the Licensed Software in order to improve or correct errors or defects in the program code.

"Service Releases" means a release of the Software which is designed to operate on designated combinations of computer hardware and operating systems. A new System Release typically will be indicated by the addition of one (1) to the first digit of the release number (e.g. v.2.X.X would be the next System Release after v.1.X.X).

"Technical Support Organization" ('TSO') means those Contractor product specialists who make available technical support to Contractor's Clients who have contracted for and are current under Contractor's Maintenance Services.

"Version Release" means a release often involving a limited number of new or enhanced features or functionality or features and error corrections, which is often documented by adding a second digit after the release number (e.g., V.X.2.X would be the next version release after V.X.1.X).

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PART 4

Attachment 4.1

Substantiation of Technical Compliance Form - Mandatory Requirements

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Attachment 4.2

Substantiation of Technical Compliance Form - Rated Requirements

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PART 5

Attachment 5.1

Code of Conduct Certifications- Consent to a Criminal Record Verification

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PART 5**Attachment 5.2****Bid Submission Form**

BID SUBMISSION FORM	
Bidder's full legal name <i>[Note to Bidders: Bidders who are part of a corporate group should take care to identify the correct corporation as the Bidder.]</i>	
Authorized Representative of Bidder for evaluation purposes (e.g., clarifications)	Name
	Title
	Address
	Telephone #
	Fax #
	Email
Bidder's Procurement Business Number (PBN) <i>[see the Standard Instructions 2003]</i> <i>[Note to Bidders: Please ensure that the PBN you provide matches the legal name under which you have submitted your bid. If it does not, the Bidder will be determined based on the legal name provided, not based on the PBN, and the Bidder will be required to submit the PBN that matches the legal name of the Bidder.]</i>	
Jurisdiction of Contract: Province in Canada the bidder wishes to be the legal jurisdiction applicable to any resulting contract (if other than as specified in solicitation)	
Former Public Servants See the Article in Part 5 of the bid solicitation entitled Former Public Servant Certification for a definition of "Former Public Servant".	Is the Bidder a FPS in receipt of a pension as defined in the bid solicitation? Yes ____ No ____ If yes, provide the information required by the Article in Part 5 entitled "Former Public Servant Certification"
	Is the Bidder a FPS who received a lump sum payment under the terms of a work force reduction program? Yes ____ No ____ If yes, provide the information required by the Article in Part 5 entitled "Former Public Servant Certification"

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<p>Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity (FCP EE) Certification:</p> <p>If the bidder is exempt, please indicate the basis for the exemption to the right. If the bidder does not fall within the exceptions enumerated to the right, the Program requirements do apply and the bidder is required either to:</p> <p>(a) submit to the Department of HRSD form LAB 1168, Certificate of Commitment to Implement Employment Equity, DULY SIGNED; or</p> <p>(b) submit a valid Certificate number confirming its adherence to the FCP-EE.</p> <p>Bidders are requested to include their FCP EE Certification or signed LAB 1168 with their bid; if this information is not provided in the bid, it must be provided upon request by the Contracting Authority during evaluation.</p> <p>For joint ventures, be sure to provide this information for each of the members of the joint venture.</p>	<p>On behalf of the bidder, by signing below, I also confirm that the bidder <i>[check the box that applies]</i>:</p>	
	<p>(a) is not subject to Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity (FCP-EE), because it has a workforce of less than 100 permanent full or part-time employees in Canada;</p>	
	<p>(b) is not subject to FCP-EE, because it is a regulated employer under the <i>Employment Equity Act</i>;</p>	
	<p>(c) is subject to the requirements of FCP-EE, because it has a workforce of 100 or more permanent full or part-time employees in Canada, but has not previously obtained a certificate number from the Department of Human Resources and Skills Development (HRSD) (having not bid on requirements of \$200,000 or more), in which case a duly signed certificate of commitment is attached; OR</p>	
	<p>(d) is subject to FCP-EE, and has a valid certification number as follows: _____ (and has not been declared an Ineligible Contractor by HRSD).</p>	
<p>Number of FTEs [Bidders are requested to indicate, the total number of full-time-equivalent positions that would be created and maintained by the bidder if it were awarded the Contract. This information is for information purposes only and will not be evaluated.]</p>		
<p>Security Clearance Level of Bidder <i>[include both the level and the date it was granted]</i> [Note to Bidders: Please ensure that the security clearance matches the legal name of the Bidder. If it does not, the security clearance is not valid for the Bidder.]</p>		
<p>On behalf of the Bidder, by signing below, I confirm that I have read the entire bid solicitation including the documents incorporated by reference into the bid solicitation and I certify that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Bidder considers itself and its products able to meet all the mandatory requirements described in the bid solicitation; 2. This bid is valid for the period requested in the bid solicitation; 3. All the information provided in the bid is complete, true and accurate; and 4. If the Bidder is awarded a contract, it will accept all the terms and conditions set out in the resulting contract clauses included in the bid solicitation. 		
<p>Signature of Authorized Representative of Bidder</p>		

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Software Publisher Certification Form

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(to be used where the Bidder itself is the Software Publisher)

The Bidder certifies that is the software publisher of all the following software products and components and that it has all the rights necessary to license them (and any non-proprietary sub-components incorporated into the software) on a royalty-free basis to Canada:

[bidders should add or remove lines as needed]

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Software Publisher Authorization Form

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(to be used where the Bidder is not the Software Publisher)

This confirms that the software publisher identified below has authorized the Bidder named below to license its proprietary software products under any contract resulting from the bid solicitation identified below. The software publisher acknowledges that no shrink-wrap or click-wrap or other terms and conditions will apply, and that the contract resulting from the bid solicitation (as amended from time to time by its parties) will represent the entire agreement, including with respect to the license of the software products of the software publisher listed below. The software publisher further acknowledges that, if the method of delivery (such as download) requires a user to "click through" or otherwise acknowledge the application of terms and conditions not included in the bid solicitation, those terms and conditions do not apply to Canada's use of the software products of the software publisher listed below, despite the user clicking "I accept" or signalling in any other way agreement with the additional terms and conditions.

This authorization applies to the following software products:

[bidders should add or remove lines as needed]

Name of Software Publisher (SP) _____

Signature of authorized signatory of SP _____

Print Name of authorized signatory of SP _____

Print Title of authorized signatory of SP _____

Address for authorized signatory of SP _____

Telephone no. for authorized signatory of SP _____

Fax no. for authorized signatory of SP _____

Date signed _____

Solicitation Number _____

Name of Bidder _____