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**Revision to a Request for a Standing Offer**  
**Révision à une demande d'offre à commandes**

Regional Individual Standing Offer (RISO)  
Offre à commandes individuelle régionale (OCIR)

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

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

**Comments - Commentaires**

**Vendor/Firm Name and Address**  
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<b>Title - Sujet</b> Rock Evaluation	
<b>Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation</b> 23294-130254/A	<b>Date</b> 2012-11-21
<b>Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client</b> NRCAN	<b>Amendment No. - N° modif.</b> 001
<b>File No. - N° de dossier</b> EDM-2-35279 (183)	<b>CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME</b>
<b>GETS Reference No. - N° de référence de SEAG</b> PW-\$EDM-183-9612	
<b>Date of Original Request for Standing Offer</b> Date de la demande de l'offre à commandes originale	
2012-11-09	
<b>Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin</b> <b>at - à 02:00 PM</b> <b>on - le 2012-12-24</b>	
<b>Time Zone</b> Fuseau horaire Mountain Standard Time MST	
<b>Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à:</b> Tikhonovitch, Alex	<b>Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur</b> edm183
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<b>Delivery Required - Livraison exigée</b>	
<b>Destination - of Goods, Services, and Construction:</b> <b>Destination - des biens, services et construction:</b>	
<b>Security - Sécurité</b> This revision does not change the security requirements of the Offer. Cette révision ne change pas les besoins en matière de sécurité de la présente offre.	

**Instructions: See Herein**

**Instructions: Voir aux présentes**

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

This amendment is raised to modify the solicitation as follows:

**On page 2 of 27**

Delete:

**PART 5 - CERTIFICATIONS**

1. Code of Conduct Certifications - Certifications Precedent to Issuance of a Standing Offer
2. Certifications Precedent to Issuance of a Standing Offer

Insert:

**PART 5 - CERTIFICATIONS**

1. Mandatory Certifications Required Precedent to Issuance of a Standing Offer
2. Additional Certifications Precedent to Issuance of a Standing Offer

On page 6 of 27 DELETE "1. Standard Instructions, Clauses and Conditions" in its entirety and REPLACE with the following:

**1. Standard Instructions, Clauses and Conditions**

All instructions, clauses and conditions identified in the Request for Standing Offers (RFSO) by number, date and title are set out in the *Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions* Manual issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

Offerors who submit an offer agree to be bound by the instructions, clauses and conditions of the RFSO and accept the clauses and conditions of the Standing Offer and resulting contract(s).

The 2006 (2012-11-19), Standard Instructions - Request for Standing Offers - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements, are incorporated by reference into and form part of the RFSO.

On page 15 of 27 DELETE "PART 5 - CERTIFICATIONS" in its entirety and REPLACE with the following:

**PART 5 - CERTIFICATIONS**

Offerors must provide the required certifications and related documentation to be issued a standing offer. Canada will declare an offer non-responsive if the required certifications and related documentation are not completed and submitted as requested.

Compliance with the certifications offerors provide to Canada is subject to verification by Canada during the offer evaluation period (before issuance of a standing offer) and after issuance of a standing offer. The Standing Offer Authority will have the right to ask for additional information to verify offerors' compliance with the certifications before issuance of a standing offer. The offer will be declared non-responsive if any certification made by the Offeror is untrue, whether made knowingly or unknowingly. Failure to comply with the certifications, to provide the related documentation or to comply with the request of the Standing Offer Authority for additional information will also render the offer non-responsive.

**1. Mandatory Certifications Required Precedent to Issuance of a Standing Offer**

**1.1 Code of Conduct and Certifications - Related documentation**

**1.1.1** By submitting an offer, the Offeror certifies, for himself and his affiliates, to be in compliance with the Code of Conduct and Certifications clause of the Standard instructions. The related documentation hereinafter mentioned will help Canada in confirming that the certifications are true. By submitting an offer, the Offeror certifies that it is aware, and that its affiliates are aware, that Canada may request additional information, certifications, consent forms and other evidentiary elements proving identity or eligibility. Canada may also verify the information provided by the Offeror, including the information relating to the acts or convictions specified herein, through independent research, use of any government resources or by contacting third parties. Canada will declare non-responsive any offer in respect of which the information requested is missing or inaccurate, or in respect of which the information contained in the certifications is found to be untrue, in any respect, by Canada. The Offeror and any of the Offeror's affiliates, will also be required to remain free and clear of any acts or convictions specified herein during the entire period of the Standing Offer and any call-ups made against the Standing Offer.

Offerors who are incorporated, including those submitting offers as a joint venture, must provide with their offer or promptly thereafter a complete list of names of all individuals who are currently directors of the Offeror. Offerors submitting offers as sole proprietorship, including those submitting offers as a joint venture, must provide the name of the owner with their offer or promptly thereafter. Offerors submitting offers as societies, firms, partnerships or associations of persons do not need to provide lists of names. If the required names have not been received by the time the evaluation of offers is completed, Canada will inform the Offeror of a time frame within which to provide the information. Failure to comply will render the offer non-responsive. Providing the required names is a mandatory requirement for issuance of a standing offer and award of a contract.

Canada may, at any time, request that an Offeror provide properly completed and Signed Consent Forms (Consent to a Criminal Record Verification form- PWGSC-TPSGC 229) (<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/app-acq/forms/formulaires-forms-eng.html>) for any or all individuals aforementioned within the time specified. Failure to provide such Consent Forms within the time period provided will result in the offer being declared non-responsive.

## **2. Additional Certifications Precedent to Issuance of a Standing Offer**

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

### **2.1 Federal Contractors Program - Certification**

#### **Federal Contractors Program - over \$25,000 and below \$200,000**

Suppliers who are subject to the Federal Contractors Program (FCP) and have been declared ineligible contractors by Human Resources and Skills Development Canada (HRSDC) are no longer eligible to receive federal government contracts over the threshold for solicitation of bids as set out in the Government Contracts 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 a reduction of their workforce to less than 100 employees. Any offers from ineligible contractors, including an offer from a joint venture that has a member who is an ineligible contractor, will be declared non-responsive.

The Offeror, or, if the Offeror is a joint venture the member of the joint venture, certifies its status with the FCP, as follows:

The Offeror or the member of the joint venture

- (a) ( ) is not subject to the FCP, having a workforce of less than 100 full-time or part-time permanent employees, and/or temporary employees having worked 12 weeks or more in Canada;
- (b) ( ) is not subject to the FCP, being a regulated employer under the Employment Equity Act, S.C. 1995, c. 44;
- (c) ( ) is subject to the requirements of FCP, having a workforce of 100 or more full-time or part-time permanent employees, and/or temporary employees having worked 12 weeks or more in Canada, but has not previously obtained a certificate number from HRSDC, having not bid on requirements of \$200,000 or more;
- (d) ( ) has not been declared an ineligible contractor by HRSDC, and has a valid certificate number as follows: \_\_\_\_\_.

## 2.2 Former Public Servant – Competitive Requirements

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 the spending of public funds. In order to comply with Treasury Board policies and directives on contracts with FPS, offerors must provide the information required below.

### Definitions

For the purposes of this clause,

"former public servant" is any 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. A former public servant may be:

- 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.

"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.

"pension" means 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 FPS. 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 Canada Pension Plan Act, R.S., 1985, c. C-8.

### Former Public Servant in Receipt of a Pension

As per the above definitions, is the Offeror a FPS in receipt of a pension? **YES** ( ) **NO** ( )

If so, the Offeror must provide the following information, for all FPS in receipt of a pension, as applicable:

- a. name of former public servant;
- b. date of termination of employment or retirement from the Public Service.

By providing this information, Offerors agree that the successful Offeror's status, with respect to being a former public servant in receipt of a pension, will be reported on departmental websites as part of the published proactive disclosure reports in accordance with Contracting Policy Notice: 2012-2 and the Guidelines on the Proactive Disclosure of Contracts.

### Work Force Reduction Program

Is the Offeror a FPS who received a lump sum payment pursuant to the terms of a work force reduction program? **YES** ( ) **NO** ( )

If so, the Offeror must provide the following information:

- a. name of former public servant;
- b. conditions of the lump sum payment incentive;
- c. date of termination of employment;
- d. amount of lump sum payment;
- e. rate of pay on which lump sum payment is based;
- f. period of lump sum payment including start date, end date and number of weeks;
- g. number and amount (professional fees) of other contracts subject to the restrictions of a work force reduction program.

For all contracts awarded during the lump sum payment period, the total amount of fees 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.

### 2.3 Status and Availability of Resources

The Offeror certifies that, should it be issued a standing offer as a result of the Request for Standing Offer, every individual proposed in its offer will be available to perform the Work resulting from a call-up against the Standing Offer as required by Canada's representatives and at the time specified in a call-up or agreed to with Canada's representatives. If for reasons beyond its control, the Offeror is unable to provide the services of an individual named in its offer, the Offeror may propose a substitute with similar qualifications and experience. The Offeror must advise the Standing Offer Authority of the reason for the substitution and provide the name, qualifications and experience of the proposed replacement. For the purposes of this clause, only the following reasons will be considered as beyond the control of the Offeror: death, sickness, maternity and parental leave, retirement, resignation, dismissal for cause or termination of an agreement for default.

If the Offeror has proposed any individual who is not an employee of the Offeror, the Offeror certifies that it has the permission from that individual to propose his/her services in relation to the Work to be performed and to submit his/her résumé to Canada. The Offeror must, upon request from the Standing

Offer Authority, provide a written confirmation, signed by the individual, of the permission given to the Offeror and of his/her availability.

On page 18 of 27 DELETE clause "2.1 General Conditions" in its entirety and REPLACE with the following:

## **2.1 General Conditions**

2005 (2012-11-19), General Conditions - Standing Offers - Goods or Services, apply to and form part of the Standing Offer.

On page 20 of 27 DELETE clause "9. Priority of Documents" in its entirety and REPLACE with the following:

## **9. Priority of Documents**

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

- a) the call up against the Standing Offer, including any annexes;
- b) the articles of the Standing Offer;
- c) the general conditions 2005 (2012-11-19), General Conditions - Standing Offers - Goods or Services;
- d) the general conditions 2035 (2012-11-19), General Conditions - Higher Complexity - Services;
- e) the supplemental general conditions 4007 (2010-08-16), Canada to Own Intellectual Property Rights in Foreground Information;
- f) Annex "A", Statement of Work;
- g) Annex "B", Basis of Payment
- h) Annex "C", Standing Offer Usage Report;
- i) the Offeror's offer \_\_\_\_\_ .

On page 21 of 27 DELETE clause "10.1 Compliance" in its entirety and REPLACE with the following:

## **10.1 Compliance**

Compliance with the certifications and related documentation provided by the Offeror is a condition of authorization of the Standing Offer and subject to verification by Canada during the term of the Standing Offer and of any resulting contract that would continue beyond the period of the Standing Offer. In the event that the Offeror does not comply with any certification, provide the related documentation or if it is determined that any certification made by the Offeror in its offer is untrue, whether made knowingly or unknowingly, Canada has the right to terminate any resulting contract for default and set aside the Standing Offer.

On page 22 of 27 DELETE clause "2.1 General Conditions" in its entirety and REPLACE with the following:

## **2.1 General Conditions**

2035 (2012-11-19), General Conditions - Higher Complexity - Services, apply to and form part of the Contract.

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***If your bid has already been forwarded and you wish to revise the same, this revision should be mailed in a sealed envelope and reach the Bid Receiving Unit identified on Page 1 before the closing date. The bid number and closing date are to be shown on the sealed envelope.***

**ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS SHALL REMAIN THE SAME.**