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SOLICITATION AMENDMENT MODIFICATION DE L'INVITATION

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

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

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Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation EN869-120601/A	Amendment No. - N° modif. 005
Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client 20120601	Date 2012-08-29
GETS Reference No. - N° de référence de SEAG PW-\$SEL-615-24680	
File No. - N° de dossier 615el.EN869-120601	CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME
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Signature	Date

This Solicitation amendment is raised to answer questions received from Bidders and to amend the solicitation.

A. QUESTIONS AND CORRESPONDENT ANSWERS:

QUESTION 1

Ref: M1 and R1. The requirement for services to be provided "... within the 5 years preceding the closing date of this bid solicitation" favours the companies incumbent at PWGSC and will significantly limit the competition/bids that PWGSC would otherwise receive. Since the introduction of TBIPS in 2008, the number of omnibus contracts awarded by the GoC that would meet the criteria has been dramatically reduced, as was intended; however, the incumbent companies can easily meet these criteria because they have held the contracts with PWGSC for same services for the past 5 years. In the interests of a fair, open and transparent competition, we respectfully request that the requested criteria for M1 and R1 be relaxed as follows:

- 7.1. Extend the time horizon in M1 and R1 from 5 to 8 or more years, and/or,
- 7.2. Expand the number of contracts in M1 and R1 from 5 to 8 or more contracts; and/or
- 7.3. Expand the time frame in M1 and R1 from 24 months to 60 or more months.

ANSWER 1

Canada has reviewed the question and the RFP will remain unchanged.

QUESTION 2

The changes presented in Amendment 003 are significant and affect all aspects of the RFP, from the definition of an entire resource category, to the corporate references required in R2, R3 and R4. As a result, much of the Bidders work completed to date must be re-written.

As TBIPS guidelines allow for a minimum period of 20 days to respond to a Tier 2 RFP, we respectfully request an extension to September 13th 2012 to permit sufficient time for Bidders to re-write their proposals to reflect the changed evaluation criterion.

ANSWER 2

Canada has reviewed the question and the RFP was amended accordingly. See RFP modification #1 below.

QUESTION 3

Question 1: Amendment 4, the question and answer for 3.1 States:

“Question: Could the Crown please confirm that the services must have been provided over the same 24 month period (within the last 5 years) for all contracts being used to substantiate these criterion.

Answer: Any 24 month period (within the last 5 years) is acceptable.”

Would the crown please confirm that:

- 3.1. the 24 month period is a contiguous period for a single reference; and
- 3.2. the 24 month periods for each project can be different from any other reference project.

ANSWER 3

- 3.1. Yes
- 3.2. Yes

B. RFP AMENDMENTS:

1. Solicitation closing date in the cover page of the RFP Amendment 004

DELETE: Solicitation closing date; and

INSERT: Solicitation closing date, as follows:

Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin
at - à 02:00 PM
on - le 2011-09-13

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN UNCHANGED