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**SOLICITATION AMENDMENT**  
**MODIFICATION DE L'INVITATION**

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

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

**Comments - Commentaires**

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<b>Title - Sujet</b> Flight Test Support Services	
<b>Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation</b> W2671-11E002/A	<b>Amendment No. - N° modif.</b> 006
<b>Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client</b> W2671-11-E002	<b>Date</b> 2012-11-20
<b>GETS Reference No. - N° de référence de SEAG</b> PW-\$EDM-607-9507	
<b>File No. - N° de dossier</b> EDM-1-34737 (607)	<b>CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME</b>
<b>Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin</b> <b>at - à 02:00 PM</b> <b>on - le 2012-11-27</b>	<b>Time Zone</b> <b>Fuseau horaire</b> Mountain Standard Time MST
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<b>Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à:</b> Jenkinson, Lorraine	<b>Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur</b> edm607
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<b>Destination - of Goods, Services, and Construction:</b> <b>Destination - des biens, services et construction:</b>	

**Instructions: See Herein**

**Instructions: Voir aux présentes**

<b>Delivery Required - Livraison exigée</b>	<b>Delivery Offered - Livraison proposée</b>
<b>Vendor/Firm Name and Address</b> <b>Raison sociale et adresse du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur</b>	
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<b>Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of Vendor/Firm</b> <b>(type or print)</b> <b>Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du fournisseur/</b> <b>de l'entrepreneur (taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie)</b>	
<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>

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**TITLE: TECHNICAL INVESTIGATION AND ENGINEERING SERVICES (TIES) FOR FLIGHT TEST SERVICES, AEROSPACE ENGINEERING TEST ESTABLISHMENT (AETE), 4 WING COLD LAKE**

This amendment is to provide clarifications to the Request for Proposal (RFP).

**PART A: QUESTIONS/ANSWERS**

**Q21.** Annex D, Insurance Requirements - #6 Hull Insurance. Respectfully request that this requirement be removed. The solicitation does not provide enough detail regarding aircraft to obtain a viable quote for the coverage.

**A21.** The insurance is required as the resulting contractor will have care, custody or control of aircrafts owned by Canada. We are compiling details regarding the aircraft.

**Q22.** Hangar keeper's liability sublimit is not identified. Can we assume this to be a \$1 million sublimit for this contract?

**A22.** Hangar keeper's liability is an endorsement under the Aviation Liability insurance. The Clause provides the limit for the insurance coverage.. There is no sublimit.

**PART B: REVISION TO SOLICITATION DOCUMENT**

1. On Page 2 of 53 of the Solicitation, under **TABLE OF CONTENTS**

DELETE: PART 5 - CERTIFICATIONS, in its entirety.

INSERT: PART 5 - CERTIFICATIONS

1. Mandatory - Certifications Required Precedent to Contract Award
2. Additional Certifications Precedent to Contract Award

2. On Page 5 of 53 of the Solicitation, under **PART 2 - BIDDER INSTRUCTIONS**,

DELETE: 1. Standard Instructions, Clauses and Conditions, Revised 2012-09-10, Amendment 001, in its entirety.

INSERT: 1. Standard Instructions, Clauses and Conditions

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 (<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual>) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

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.

The 2003 (2012-11-19) Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements, are incorporated by reference into and form part of the bid solicitation.

Subsection 5.4 of 2003, Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements, is amended as follows:

Delete: sixty (60) days

Insert: one hundred and twenty (120) days

3. On Page 9 of 53 of the Solicitation, under **PART 5 - CERTIFICATIONS**,

DELETE: PART 5 - CERTIFICATIONS, in its entirety.

INSERT:

**PART 5 - CERTIFICATIONS**

Bidders must provide the required certifications and related documentation to be awarded a contract. Canada will declare a bid non-responsive if the required certifications and related documentation are not completed and submitted as requested.

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, to provide the related documentation or to comply with the request of the Contracting Authority for additional information will also render the bid non-responsive.

**1. Mandatory Certifications Required Precedent to Contract Award**

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

1.1.1 By submitting a bid, the Bidder 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 a bid, the Bidder 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 Bidder, 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 bid 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 Bidder and any of the Bidder's affiliates, will also be required to remain free and clear of any acts or convictions specified herein during the period of any contract arising from this bid solicitation.

Bidders who are incorporated, including those bidding as a joint venture, must provide with their bid or promptly thereafter a complete list of names of all individuals who are currently directors of the Bidder. Bidders bidding as sole proprietorship, including those

bidding as a joint venture, must provide the name of the owner with their bid or promptly thereafter. Bidders bidding 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 bids is completed, Canada will inform the Bidder of a time frame within which to provide the information. Failure to comply will render the bid non-responsive. Providing the required names is a mandatory requirement for 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) (<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 bid being declared non-responsive.

## **2. Additional 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.

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

2.1.1. The Federal Contractors Program (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, or, if the Bidder is a joint venture and if any member of the joint venture, is subject to the FCP, evidence of its commitment must be provided before the award of the Contract.

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 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 the reduction of their workforce to less than 100 employees. Any bids from ineligible contractors, including a bid from a joint venture that has a member who is an ineligible contractor, will be declared non-responsive.

2.1.2. If the Bidder does not fall within the exceptions enumerated in 3.(a) or (b) 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 [ <http://www.servicecanada.gc.ca/cgi-bin/search/eforms/index.cgi?app=profile&form=lab1168&dept=sc&lang=e> ], to the Labour Branch of HRSDC.

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

The Bidder 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 [ <http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/E-5.401/index.html> ] ;
- (c) ( ) is subject to the requirements of the 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), in which case a duly signed certificate of commitment is attached;
- (d) ( ) is subject to the FCP, and has a valid certificate number as follows:  
\_\_\_\_\_ (e.g. has not been declared an ineligible contractor by HRSDC.)

Further information on the FCP is available on the HRSDC Web site.

[<http://www.hrsdc.gc.ca/eng/labour/equality/fcp/index.shtml>] ]

## 2.2 Former Public Servant

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, bidders must provide the information required below.

### 2.2.1 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 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 Canada Pension Plan Act, R.S., 1985, c.C-8.

### 2.2.2 Former Public Servant in Receipt of a Pension

As per the above definitions, is the Bidder a FPS in receipt of a pension? **Yes ( ) No ( )**

If so, the Bidder 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, Bidders agree that the successful Bidder'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.

### 2.2.3 Work Force Reduction Program

Is the Bidder a FPS who received a lump sum payment pursuant to the terms of a work force reduction program? **Yes ( ) No ( )**

If so, the Bidder 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 Bidder certifies that, should it be awarded a contract as a result of the bid solicitation, every individual proposed in its bid will be available to perform the Work as required by Canada's representatives and at the time specified in the bid solicitation or agreed to with Canada's representatives. If for reasons beyond its control, the Bidder is unable to provide the services of an individual named in its bid, the Bidder may propose a substitute with similar qualifications and experience. The Bidder must advise the Contracting 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 Bidder: death, sickness, maternity and parental leave, retirement, resignation, dismissal for cause or termination of an agreement for default.

If the Bidder has proposed any individual who is not an employee of the Bidder, the Bidder 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 Bidder must, upon request from the Contracting Authority, provide a written confirmation, signed by the individual, of the permission given to the Bidder and of his/her availability.

#### **2.4 Education and Experience**

SACC Manual clause A3010T (2010-08-16), Education and Experience

4. On Page 16 of 53 of the Solicitation, under **PART 7 - RESULTING CONTRACT CLAUSES**, section 2. Standard Clauses and Conditions

DELETE: 2.1 General Conditions, Revised 2012-09-10, Amendment 001, in its entirety.

INSERT: 2.1 General Conditions  
2035 (2012-11-19), General Conditions - Higher Complexity - Services , apply to and form part of the Contract.

5. On Page 22 of 53 of the Solicitation, under **PART 7 - RESULTING CONTRACT CLAUSES**,

DELETE: 8. Certifications, in its entirety.

INSERT: **8. Certifications**

#### **8.1 Compliance**

Compliance with the certifications and related documentation provided by the Contractor in its bid is a condition of the Contract and subject to verification by Canada during the term of the Contract. If the Contractor does not comply with any certification, provide the related documentation or if it is determined that any certification made by the Contractor in its bid is untrue, whether made knowingly or unknowingly, Canada has the right, pursuant to the default provision of the Contract, to terminate the Contract for default.

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