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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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Title - Sujet BACKUP ENTERPRISE SOFTWARE	
Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation 08317-110067/A	Amendment No. - N° modif. 008
Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client 08317-110067	Date 2012-02-22
GETS Reference No. - N° de référence de SEAG PW-\$EEM-028-23569	
File No. - N° de dossier 028eem.08317-110067	CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME
Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin at - à 02:00 PM on - le 2012-02-29	Time Zone Fuseau horaire Eastern Standard Time EST
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THIS SOLICITATION AMENDMENT IS RAISED TO:

- A) TO EXTEND THE BID CLOSING DATE AS DETAILED HEREIN; AND
- B) ANSWER QUESTIONS RAISED BY THE INDUSTRY.

A) TO EXTEND THE BID CLOSING DATE AS FOLLOWS:

THE BID CLOSING DATE IS EXTENDED TO FEBRUARY 29, 2012 AT 2:00 PM.

B) TO ANSWER QUESTIONS RAISED BY THE INDUSTRY:

Question 80:

With regard to question 76 (shown below); the Crown removed the requirement for WAN connectivity with modifications based on question 14 (M44). In the answer to question 76 the Crown now states that "Canada requires a solution that includes WAN based backups".

The inclusion or exclusion of WAN based backups has significant implications for both the Crown and Vendors. In order to respond correctly to this RFP and ensure that the solution meets the functionality required it is essential to understand what is "in scope" for this RFP.

Would the Crown please confirm if WAN connectivity is required as part of this RFP and if it is required would the Crown please respond to question 14 to formally clarify the requirement.

Question 76:

In response to question and answer #46 as well as the Crown's answer to question #44 of amendment # 4 dated February 14; any WAN based back-up is out of scope and therefore subject to a separate requirement. Is this correct?

Answer 76:

No, this is not correct. Canada requires a solution that includes WAN based backups

Answer 80:

Delete Answer 76 and replace with the following:

Canada does not require a solution that includes WAN based backup.

Canada notes that the bidders reference under Question 76 is not entirely accurate. Question and Answer 44 of amendment #4 dated February 14 is not related to the mandatory requirement M-44.

Question 81:

With regard to question and answer 77 (shown below); the Crown has been very specific with regard to the operating systems, software applications and hardware platforms required for this RFP. In the answer to question 77 it is stated that "Canada requires a solution that includes source data from any and all operating systems, software applications and hardware platforms."

All vendors have varying degrees of support for the various versions of operating systems, software applications and hardware platforms; to simply state "all operating systems, software applications and hardware platforms" does not provide enough information to respond to this RFP.

If it is in fact the case that the Crown would like to have "all operating systems, software applications and hardware platforms" and in order to ensure compliancy, would the Crown please itemize the operating systems, software applications and hardware platforms in detail?

Question 77:

In response to question and answer #44 of amendment # 4 dated February 14; all other operating systems, software applications and hardware platforms not explicitly listed in the statement of requirements (appendices A & B) are out of scope and therefore subject to a separate requirement. Is this correct?

Answer 77:

No, this is not correct. Canada requires a solution that includes source data from any and all operating systems, software applications and hardware platforms.

Answer 81:

Canada requires a solution that includes source data from all operating systems, applications and hardware platforms as detailed in the bid solicitation. Please refer to Annex A, Section 5 Evolving Infrastructure, Section 6 Initial Backup Environment and Section 7 Possible Future Operating Systems.

Canada notes that the bidders reference under Question 77 is not accurate. Question and Answer 44 of amendment #4 dated February 14 is not related to operating systems, software applications and hardware platforms.

Question 82:

In consideration of the questions which have just been answered and the confusion that has arisen as well as the number of questions and answers regarding this RFP process we respectfully request that the Crown grant a 2 week extension to this RFP in order to allow industry to respond properly.

Answer 82:

The bid closing date is extended. Please see Part A above.

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ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE BID SOLICITATION REMAIN THE SAME