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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.

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## Solicitation Amendment No. 3

### Questions and Answers

**Question 2:** What are the Linear EIRP requirements for X-Band?

**Answer 2:** Please refer to WGS certification guide (section 2.2 of Annex A – Statement of Work), which is available upon request.

**Question 3:** What are the Linear EIRP requirements for Ka-Band?

**Answer 3:** Please refer to WGS certification guide (section 2.2 of Annex A – Statement of Work), which is available upon request.

**Question 4:** What are the G/T requirements for X-Band? (Elevation, atmosphere conditions)

**Answer 4:** Please refer to WGS certification guide (section 2.2 of Annex A – Statement of Work), which is available upon request.

**Question 5:** What are the G/T requirements for Ka-Band? (Elevation, atmosphere conditions)

**Answer 5:** Please refer to WGS certification guide (section 2.2 of Annex A – Statement of Work), which is available upon request.

**Question 6:** Appendix 1, Item 7 requires "proof of certification" for X and Ka band, with "no conditions" and compliance with SOW sections 3.7.1 and 3.7.2. It is assumed that the Item 7, requirement for "proof of certification", supersedes 3.7.1 "completed Phase III WGS certification."

**Question 6a:** Would Canada consider removing the 3.7.1 reference to Phase III certification as it is covered by Item 7, Appendix 1?

**Answer 6a:** Proof of certification must be provided to demonstrate that bidders have completed Phase III certification, as stated in the Appendix 1. The 3.7.1 reference to Phase III certification will not be removed.

**Question 6b:** Would Canada consider removing 3.7.2 as it is assumed that a WGS certified system has already incorporated changes within the system and would not need additional re-engineering to make certifiable.

**Answer 6b:** Once the system is WGS certified with no conditions prior to the RFP closing date, additional re-engineering will not be required during the period of the resulting Contract. Section 3.7.2 will not be removed.

**Question 7:** Section 3.7.1 requests documented proof of compliance with MIL-STD-188-164A. This standard has been superseded by MIL-STD-188-164B on March 23 2012.

**Question 7a:** Does Canada intend to use this superseded document for this opportunity?

**Answer 7a:** MIL-STD-188-164A will be used for this opportunity. The terminals certified under MIL-STD-188-164A do not need to be re-certified under MIL-STD-188-164B.

**Question 7b:** Is it Canada's intent to show compliance for all sections of the MIL-STD-188-164 (either A or B)?

**Answer 7b:** In order to demonstrate compliance with all sections of MIL-STD-188-164A, the Bidder must submit WGS certification provided by the US Department of Defence (DoD) stating that the terminal is WGS certified without exception, as stipulated in Appendix 1.

**Question 8:** The response time from issuance of this RFP to its closing is less than 30 days. Will Canada consider extending the bid period?

**Answer 8:** The closing date has been extended to June 19, 2012.

**Question 9:** Would a response to RFP W8474-13MG10/A offering a WGS certified trailer-mounted, air transportable configuration be accepted or rejected as non-compliant?

**Answer 9:** A WGS certified trailer-mounted, air transportable configuration may be accepted if it meets the requirements as stipulated in the Statement of Work.

**Question 10:** From the MGEAAS Technical Bid Evaluation Table Item #5 - Is the requirement for four (4) TX carriers include X-Band? This is a difficult requirement for a transportable terminal.

**Answer 10:** Yes. The requirement is to support multiple (up to 4) user terminals simultaneously.

**Question 11:** From the MGEAAS Technical Bid Evaluation Table, Item #7 – Typical conditions included in WGS certification letters include minor conditions such as lack of positive control orderwire or modem specific conditions. Are such minor conditions not allowed?

**Answer 11:** No conditions will be allowed, as stipulated in the Technical Bid Evaluation Table (Appendix 1).

**Question 12:** From the MGEAAS Technical Bid Evaluation Table, Item #11 - Our current configuration is a single modem. The architecture supports multiple modems. Must the certified configuration include 4 modems?

**Answer 12:** Yes. The requirement is to support multiple (up to 4) user terminals simultaneously.

**ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS SOLICITATION  
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