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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 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES UNDER THE	
Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation W6369-10P5BZ/A	Amendment No. - N° modif. 002
Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client W6369-10P5BZ	Date 2012-11-15
GETS Reference No. - N° de référence de SEAG PW-\$\$ZM-608-25064	
File No. - N° de dossier 608zm.W6369-10P5BZ	CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME
Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin at - à 02:00 PM on - le 2012-11-29	
Time Zone Fuseau horaire Eastern Standard Time EST	
F.O.B. - F.A.B. Plant-Usine: <input type="checkbox"/> Destination: <input type="checkbox"/> Other-Autre: <input type="checkbox"/>	
Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à: Kelly, James	Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur 608zm
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Signature	Date

Question 7 We performed all of the work necessary to meet M1 as a subcontractor, we ask that we be entitled to bid on the subject RFP, by having the prime contractor restriction removed.

Answer 7 The purpose of the prime contractor requirement is to ensure bidders have experience managing requirements of this nature as a Contractor, which is not the same as managing requirements as a subcontractor. Canada will not amend criterion M1 to remove the prime contractor requirement.

Question 8 Given the extensive level of effort involved in responding to the mandatory and rated evaluation criteria (for candidates), coupled with the extensive information requested of vendors in M1 Evaluation Criteria, would the client kindly consider extending the date of submission by two weeks?

Answer 8 Operational requirements necessitate the award of this contract as soon as possible. Therefore, Canada is not prepared to extend the closing date at this time.

Question 9 Is this solicitation for a new requirement?

Answer 9 See answer 3, Amendment 001.

Question 10 Reference Technology Architect rated criterion R4. As Oracle 10g and/or SQL Server 2007 have not been available for 10 years, it would be impossible for any candidate to score maximum points against this criterion. Would the Crown please consider modifying the associated scoring schema to reflect the 5 years availability window of these product versions. For example:

1 point - 1 to 3 years
 2 points - 3+ to 4 years
 3 points - 4+ to 5 years
 4 points - 5+ years

Answer 10 Canada recognizes the limitation in scoring as identified above and therefore the following changes are incorporated into the evaluation criteria for rated criterion R5 (System Analyst - Level 2), rated criterion R4 (Technology Architect - Level 3), and rated criterion R3 (System Administrator - Level 3) as follows:

Demonstrated experience working with either Oracle 10g or SQL 2005 databases or higher versions.

Points:
 1 point - 1 to 2 years
 2 points – 2+ to 5 years
 3 points - 5+ to 7 years
 4 points – 7+ years

Furthermore, to remain consistent with the changes above, the following change is made to mandatory criterion M3 (Programmer/Software Developer - Level 2):

Delete the phrase: "SQL 2007"
 Insert the phrase: "SQL 2005"

Question 11 Reference article 2.3(a) Enquiries - Bid Solicitation, would the Crown accept the following change?:

2.3 (a) - All enquiries must be submitted in writing to the Contracting Authority no later than three (3) calendar days before the bid closing date. Enquiries received after that time may not be answered

Answer 11 Due to administrative requirements associated with processing numerous enquiries and given that operational requirements necessitate the award of this contract as soon as possible, Canada will not change this article.

Question 12 Can you please explain the intent behind clause (d)? We are trying to understand how it applies to this situation.

As written Section 3.1.d appears to state that a resource (individual consultant) who, in the last two years, has been under any contract where they were paid by a given firm, is considered to be related to that firm for the purposes of this RFP. Consultants routinely contract with and are paid by many different firms in a two year period so by this definition they are related to many firms.

As written Section 3.1.d appears to state that if two separate companies have had any form of a fiduciary relationship in the last two years that they are considered related thus part of the same bidding group for the purposes of this RFP and Canada will not accept a separate proposal from each. Firms routinely partner with one another to find resources in order to fulfill client needs.

Answer 12 Under 3.1(d)(ii)(C), an individual consultant is not considered 'related' to a company simply because that consultant was under a contract with that company in the last two years, but only if that consultant is currently, or was in the last two years, a fiduciary for the company (for example, if the consultant acted as an agent of the company). If that were the case, bids would not be permitted from both the consultant and the company.

3.1(d)(ii)(C) also applies to consider two separate companies to be 'related' that currently have, or in the last two years had, a fiduciary relationship with one another (for example, if one acted as an agent for the other). If that were the case, bids would not be permitted from both companies.