QUESTION & ANSWER #2

SOLICITATION K2A51-12-0105

Question 1:

My firm is interested in responding to the Merx posting noted above and in referencing the "mandatory requirements" we note the Security requirements as follows:

Designated Organization Screening (DOS) with approved document safeguarding at the level of PROTECTED B

And for each resource proposed a "security accreditation to the level of Reliability.

We were advised this morning by email from the Industrial Security Sector that we had to initiate this process via your office.

I have serious concerns about the available time to meet this mandatory requirement which I understand must be met **before** our response to the MERX posting.

Answer to Question 1:

Environment Canada has changed the security requirement to account for the possibility that the bidder who is successful according to the technical and financial criteria will not possess the needed clearance at time of bid submission. Please see Amendment #1 for the revised security requirement. Environment Canada will agree to sponsor the successful bidder to obtain the required security clearance through the Canadian Industrial Security Division (CISD), should this bidder not possess the required security clearance.