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Amendment 002 is being raised to answer questions from potential bidders as follows:

Question 1:

In the TOR, there is reference to PD1.3 (Schedule) 2.8, which is supposed to indicate the duration of the construction phase. This does not appear to be included, although there is, just ahead of PD1.3, a list of duration's of phases. Construction, however, is not identified, other than it has to be complete by March 31, 2017. It would be helpful to know what the assumed duration of construction is.

Answer 1:

The end of construction date is March 31, 2017, and the schedule for interim activities is given from start-up to construction. The only variable is the consultant selection which includes the RFP process concluding July 18, 2013 plus the review of submissions, consultant selection and notification which is estimated at 4 – 6 weeks.

Question 2:

In 7.3.1 the following text is found:

“If wall sensors have been included in the design, describe their use and any ongoing maintenance”

As far as I can tell there is no other reference to sensors in the TOR, so there is some ambiguity with regard to this as a requirement.

Answer 2:

The question concerns the statement found in RS -7 COMMISSIONING, in the 11th bullet of the second bulleted list of section 7.3.1:

If wall sensors have been included in the design, describe their use and any ongoing maintenance;

Monitoring via wall sensors could be an output of the investigation stage of RS-1, but is not a required output.

Question 3:

There is a requirement to arrange and pay for access equipment to perform warranty inspections. This is difficult to price accurately in advance; we request that an allowance be identified in the TOR so that all proponents carry the same value, or that this be covered by PWGSC directly as in the initial inspections.

Answer 3:

See “ Services; RS 6 Construction and Contract Administration; 6.2.24 Details – Take-over and Warranty”
- 4th paragraph bulleted list: Delete “*and pay for elevating devices for inspection purposes.*”

Question 4:

It is suggested that an instrumented monitoring program may be part of the long term maintenance program. Is this to be included in the consultants’ scope of work? If so it would be preferred if a detailed scope of work be provided (eg. How many sensors, is a meteorological station required, etc.) or that this be carried separately.

Answer 4:

While wall sensors and other monitoring systems may be a suggested outcome of the consultant’ investigation, it is not suggested that long term monitoring of these systems is part of the consultant’ scope of work.

Question 5:

We note that section 3.2.5 Management of Services and section 3.2.4 Understanding of the Project are to be limited to three pages. It seems to us that these restrictions do not allow sufficient space to effectively provide all of the information requested:

Answer 5:

2nd paragraph: Delete “ a maximum of three (3) pages.”

The page limits on the sections are flexible provided you do not exceed the overall 45 page limit.

Question 6:

For 3.2.5 Management of Services: an organization chart, work plan, and schedule are likely to collectively consume up to five pages. In addition to describing the other requested items of information. We suggest that nine to ten pages as a total are needed for a meaningful response.

While requested these changes we do not think that any increase is needed to the total of 45 pages for the overall proposal.

Answer 6:**SRE 3.2.5 Management of Services:**

3rd paragraph: Delete “ a maximum of three (3) pages.”

The page limits on the sections are flexible provided you do not exceed the overall 45 page limit

Question 7:

We note the following concerning translation of construction documents:

- The Construction Contract documents will be in English. Translation from English to French will take place after acceptance by PWGSC of the each contract document submission. The Consultant may have to revisit some parts of the translation as the work progresses.
- In the schedule submitted as part of the Description of Project, the only mention of translation is that translated documents will be submitted with the 100% submission. Please clarify.
- In our experience the translation is submitted with the 100% documents only and is not progressive with each submission. Please confirm.

Answer 7:

Translation is discussed in Appendix A, Project Brief; Required Services; RS-4 Construction Documents.

See RS-4.2.1 General:

2nd paragraph; Remove ”Translation from English to French as the work progresses”.

See Answer 8 for changes to the requirement for translation at 100% completion in Appendix A, Project Brief, 1.5 Schedule.

Question 8:

In the RFP, estimates are required as follows: Class C with RS2, Class B with RS3, and Class A with RS4. This is the usual sequence of submission to which we are accustomed.

- In the schedule provided with the description of project document, all references are only to Class B estimates and there are references to updated estimates.

- We request clarification of these two descriptions, and also if updated versions of the Class B estimate are required prior to the Class A estimate submission.

Answer 8:

See Description of Project; 1.5 Schedule. Revise as follows:

RS-2: Delete "Class B Cost estimate" Substitute "Class C cost estimate"

33% Completion: Insert "updated" before "Class B cost estimate:

100% Completion: Delete "Translation & updated Class B estimate". Substitute "Class A estimate required".

Note: there are no changes to 66% and 99% completion in the schedule. Both require updated Class "B" estimates.

Construction Estimates are discussed in Appendix A, Project Brief; Required Services; RS-4 Construction Documents. Revise RS-4.2.1 as follows:

7th paragraph beginning with "99% completion": Delete "The Class A estimate is required". Substitute "The updated Class B estimate is required".

8th paragraph beginning with "100% completion": Delete "The Class B estimate is updated". Substitute "The Class A estimate is submitted".

Question 9:

The page limits for each section seem to add up to considerably less than the 45 page overall limit, unless we put a great deal of resumes in, which seems to be disproportionate. Is it possible that the page limit per section refers only to text, and that graphics/photos are additional? Or are the pages limits on the sections somewhat flexible provided we maintain the overall 45 page limit?

Answer 9:

The page limits on the sections are flexible provided you do not exceed the overall 45 page limit.

Question 10:

Has every single stone had anchors put in them?

Answer 10:

On the 4th storey addition, almost every single stone has been anchored to the concrete back up wall.

Question 11:

Is there any restrictions to the equipment used for access during the investigation?

Answer 11:

PWGSC will not impose any restrictions. Consultants to recommend optimum equipment to be used to meet site restrictions and city requirements.

Question 12:

Will the documents to tender the investigation be required to be in French and English?

Answer 12:

No, English only document.

Question 13:

Is the consultant responsible to provide data loggers to monitor environmental conditions during the construction contract?

Answer 13:

No, its not the consultants responsibility as per the RFP. However, the consultant will be responsible for monitoring compliance of environmental conditions with the specified limits.

Question 14: Will winter work be permitted?

Answer 14:

Yes, winter work will be permitted as long as the required environmental conditions can be maintained.

Please note:

"Buy and Sell Canada operates differently than MERX in regard to bidder's responsibility to gather all amendments to the RFP. It is the bidder's responsibility to ensure they have the latest information related to this project from the Buy and Sell Canada site".

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