

**RETURN BIDS TO:
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**Bid Receiving - PWGSC / Réception des
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Place du Portage, Phase III
Core 0A1 / Noyau 0A1
Gatineau, Québec K1A 0S5
Bid Fax: (819) 997-9776**

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
DEMANDE DE PROPOSITION**

**Proposal To: Public Works and Government
Services Canada**

We hereby offer to sell to Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada, in accordance with the terms and conditions set out herein, referred to herein or attached hereto, the goods, services, and construction listed herein and on any attached sheets at the price(s) set out therefor.

**Proposition aux: Travaux Publics et Services
Gouvernementaux Canada**

Nous offrons par la présente de vendre à Sa Majesté la Reine du chef du Canada, aux conditions énoncées ou incluses par référence dans la présente et aux annexes ci-jointes, les biens, services et construction énumérés ici sur toute feuille ci-annexée, au(x) prix indiqué(s).

Comments - Commentaires

Title - Sujet FOLDER/INSERTER EQUIPMENT		
Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation U6260-131282/A	Date 2013-07-10	
Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client U6260-131282		
GETS Reference No. - N° de référence de SEAG PW-\$\$HN-460-63068		
File No. - N° de dossier hn460.U6260-131282	CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME	
Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin at - à 02:00 PM on - le 2013-08-21		Time Zone Fuseau horaire Eastern Daylight Saving Time EDT
F.O.B. - F.A.B. Plant-Usine: <input type="checkbox"/> Destination: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other-Autre: <input type="checkbox"/>		
Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à: Guertin, Benoit		Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur hn460
Telephone No. - N° de téléphone (819) 956-4479 ()		FAX No. - N° de FAX () -
Destination - of Goods, Services, and Construction: Destination - des biens, services et construction: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY CANADA IMB ADMIN UNIT 05W 235 QUEEN ST OTTAWA Ontario K1A0H5 Canada		

Instructions: See Herein

Instructions: Voir aux présentes

Vendor/Firm Name and Address

**Raison sociale et adresse du
fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur**

Issuing Office - Bureau de distribution

Electrical & Electronics Products Division
11 Laurier St./11, rue Laurier
6B1, Place du Portage, Phase III
Gatineau, Québec K1A 0S5

Delivery Required - Livraison exigée See Herein	Delivery Offered - Livraison proposée
Vendor/Firm Name and Address Raison sociale et adresse du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur	
Telephone No. - N° de téléphone Facsimile No. - N° de télécopieur	
Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of Vendor/Firm (type or print) Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du fournisseur/ de l'entrepreneur (taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie)	
Signature	Date

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PART 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Security Requirement

There is no security requirement associated with the requirement.

2. Requirement

The contractor will be required to provide the goods and/or services in accordance with the technical requirements and in the quantities stated in Annex "A"

2.1 Delivery Requirement

Delivery is requested to be completed on or before December 31, 2013.

2.2 Delivery Offered

While delivery is requested as indicated above, the best delivery that could be offered is_____.

2.3 Contractor Representatives

Name and telephone number of the person responsible for :

General enquiries

Name: _____
Telephone: _____
Facsimile: _____
E-mail: _____

Delivery follow-up

Name: _____
Telephone: _____
Facsimile: _____
E-mail: _____

3. Debriefings

After contract award, bidders may request a debriefing on the results of the bid solicitation process. Bidders should make the request to the Contracting Authority within 15 working days of receipt of the results of the bid solicitation process. The debriefing may be in writing, by telephone or in person.

PART 2 - BIDDER INSTRUCTIONS

1. Standard Instructions, Clauses and Conditions

All instructions, clauses and conditions identified in the bid solicitation by number, date and title are set out in the *Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions Manual* (<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual>) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

Bidders who submit a bid agree to be bound by the instructions, clauses and conditions of the bid solicitation and accept the clauses and conditions of the resulting contract.

The 2003 (2013-06-01) Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements, are incorporated by reference into and form part of the bid solicitation.

Subsection 5.4 of 2003, Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements, is amended as follows:

Delete: sixty (60) days

Insert: ninety (90) calendar days

Section 8 of 2003, Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements, is amended as follows:

Insert: Upon request by Canada, the bidder must send written confirmation of the bid within five (5) working days.

1.1 SACC Manual Clauses

SACC Reference	Section	Date
A9033T	Financial Capability	2012-07-16
B1000T	Condition of Material	2007-11-30

1.2 Equivalent Products

- Products that are equivalent in form, fit, function and quality to the item(s) specified in the bid solicitation will be considered where the Bidder:

- designates the brand name, model and/or part number of the substitute product;
- states that the substitute product is fully interchangeable with the item specified;
- provides complete specifications and descriptive literature for each substitute product;

- (d) provides compliance statements that include technical specifics showing the substitute product meets all mandatory performance criteria that are specified in the bid solicitation; and
 - (e) clearly identifies those areas in the specifications and descriptive literature that support the substitute product's compliance with any mandatory performance criteria.
2. Products offered as equivalent in form, fit, function and quality will not be considered if:
- (a) the bid fails to provide all the information requested to allow the Contracting Authority to fully evaluate the equivalency of each substitute product; or
 - (b) the substitute product fails to meet or exceed the mandatory performance criteria specified in the bid solicitation for that item.
3. In conducting its evaluation of the bids, Canada may, but will have no obligation to, request bidders offering a substitute product to demonstrate, at the sole cost of bidders, that the substitute product is equivalent to the item specified in the bid solicitation.

1.3 Substitute Products - Samples

If the Bidder offers a substitute product, Canada reserves the right to request a sample from the Bidder in order to determine its equivalency in form, fit, function, quality and performance to the item specified in the bid solicitation.

The Bidder must, upon request from the Contracting Authority, provide a sample to the Technical Authority, transportation charges prepaid, and without charge to Canada, within ten (10) calendar days from the date of request. The sample submitted by the Bidder will remain the property of Canada and will not be considered as part of the deliverables in any resulting contract. If the sample does not meet the requirements of the bid solicitation or the Bidder fails to comply with the request of the Contracting Authority, the bid will be declared non-responsive.

1.4 Technical Documentation

TECHNICAL/DESCRIPTIVE LITERATURE MUST BE SUBMITTED AS PART OF THE BID PACKAGE PRIOR TO THE BID CLOSING DATE. FAILURE TO COMPLY WILL RENDER YOUR BID NON-RESPONSIVE. NOTE: NO EQUIVALENT PRODUCT IS CONSIDERED ALWAYS ACCEPTABLE.

2. Submission of Bids

Bids must be submitted only to Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) Bid Receiving Unit by the date, time and place indicated on page 1 of the bid solicitation.

Due to the nature of the bid solicitation, bids transmitted by facsimile to PWGSC will not be accepted.

3. Enquiries - Bid Solicitation

All enquiries must be submitted in writing to the Contracting Authority no later than five (5) calendar days before the bid closing date. Enquiries received after that time may not be answered.

Bidders should reference as accurately as possible the numbered item of the bid solicitation to which the enquiry relates. Care should be taken by bidders to explain each question in sufficient detail in order to enable Canada to provide an accurate answer. Technical enquiries that are of a proprietary nature must be clearly marked "proprietary" at each relevant item. Items identified as "proprietary" will be treated as such except where Canada determines that the enquiry is not of a proprietary nature. Canada may edit the questions or may request that the Bidder do so, so that the proprietary nature of the question is eliminated, and the enquiry can be answered with copies to all bidders. Enquiries not submitted in a form that can be distributed to all bidders may not be answered by Canada.

4. Applicable Laws

Any resulting contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in Ontario.

Bidders may, at their discretion, substitute the applicable laws of a Canadian province or territory of their choice without affecting the validity of their bid, by deleting the name of the Canadian province or territory specified and inserting the name of the Canadian province or territory of their choice. If no change is made, it acknowledges that the applicable laws specified are acceptable to the bidders.

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PART 3 - BID PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. Bid Preparation Instructions

Canada requests that bidders provide their bid in separately bound sections as follows:

Section I: Technical Bid (2 copies)

Section II: Financial Bid (1 copy)

Section III: Certifications (1 copy)

If there is a discrepancy between the wording of the soft copy and the hard copy, the wording of the hard copy will have priority over the wording of the soft copy.

Prices must appear in the financial bid only. No prices must be indicated in any other section of the bid.

Canada requests that bidders follow the format instructions described below in the preparation of their bid:

- (a) use 8.5 x 11 inch (216 mm x 279 mm) paper;
- (b) use a numbering system that corresponds to the bid solicitation.

In April 2006, Canada issued a policy directing federal departments and agencies to take the necessary steps to incorporate environmental considerations into the procurement process Policy on Green Procurement

(<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ecologisation-greening/achats-procurement/politique-policy-eng.html>). To assist Canada in reaching its objectives, bidders should:

- 1) use 8.5 x 11 inch (216 mm x 279 mm) paper containing fibre certified as originating from a sustainably-managed forest and containing minimum 30% recycled content; and
- 2) use an environmentally-preferable format including black and white printing instead of colour printing, printing double sided/duplex, using staples or clips instead of cerlox, duotangs or binders.

Section I: Technical Bid

In their technical bid, bidders should explain and demonstrate how they propose to meet the requirements and how they will carry out the Work.

Section II: Financial Bid

Bidders must submit their financial bid in accordance with the Basis of Payment. The total amount of Goods and Services Tax (GST) or Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) must be shown separately, if applicable.

1.1. Exchange Rate Fluctuation

The requirement does not provide for exchange rate fluctuation protection. Any request for exchange rate fluctuation protection will not be considered and will render the bid non-responsive.

1.2 Pricing Basis

The bidder must quote firm unit prices in Canadian dollars, DDP Delivered Duty Paid (destination) the Goods and Services Tax (GST) and/or the Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) extra, as applicable. Freight charges to destination and all applicable Custom duties and Excise taxes must be included .

Section III: Certifications

Bidders must submit the certifications required under Part 5.

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PART 4 - EVALUATION PROCEDURES AND BASIS OF SELECTION

1. Evaluation Procedures

- (a) Bids will be assessed in accordance with the entire requirement of the bid solicitation including the technical and financial evaluation criteria.
- (b) An evaluation team composed of representatives of Canada will evaluate the bids.

Evaluation Criteria

All bids must be completed in full and provide all of the information requested in the bid solicitation to enable full and complete evaluation.

1.1 Mandatory Technical Criteria

The following **Mandatory** factors will be taken into consideration in the evaluation of each bid:

- Mandatory Certifications Required Precedent to Contract Award as specified in Part 5;
- Technical compliance (description of items in Annex "A");
- Acceptance of terms and conditions as mentioned in the bid solicitation;
- Completion of the proposal;

1.2 Financial Evaluation

The following **Mandatory** factors will be taken into consideration in the evaluation of each bid:

- Compliance with Pricing Basis;
- Completion of Annex "B" - Pricing

The evaluation price will be determined by processing the items in Annex B as follows:

- Sum of items A to K

1.3 Conditions/Certifications Precedent to Contract

- Federal Contractors Program as specified in Part 5;
- Financial Capability as specified at Part 2, para 1.1.;

2. Basis of Selection

A bid must comply with the requirements of the bid solicitation and meet all mandatory technical evaluation criteria to be declared responsive. The responsive bid with the lowest evaluated price on an aggregate basis will be recommended for award of a contract.

PART 5 - CERTIFICATIONS

Bidders must provide the required certifications and documentation to be awarded a contract.

The certifications provided by bidders to Canada are subject to verification by Canada at all times. Canada will declare a bid non-responsive, or will declare a contractor in default, if any certification made by the Bidder is found to be untrue whether during the bid evaluation period or during the contract period.

The Contracting Authority will have the right to ask for additional information to verify the Bidder's certifications. Failure to comply with this request will also render the bid non-responsive or will constitute a default under the Contract.

1. Mandatory Certifications Required Precedent to Contract Award

1.1 Code of Conduct and Certifications - Related documentation

By submitting a bid, the Bidder certifies that the Bidder and its affiliates are in compliance with the provisions as stated in Section 01 Code of Conduct and Certifications - Bid of Standard Instructions 2003 . The related documentation therein required will assist Canada in confirming that the certifications are true.

1.2 Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity - Bid Certification

By submitting a bid, the Bidder certifies that the Bidder, and any of the Bidder's members if the Bidder is a Joint Venture, is not named on the Federal Contractors Program (FCP) for employment equity "FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid" list (http://www.labour.gc.ca/eng/standards_equity/eq/emp/fcp/list/inelig.shtml) available from Human Resources and Skills Development Canada (HRSDC) - Labour's website.

Canada will have the right to declare a bid non-responsive if the Bidder, or any member of the Bidder if the Bidder is a Joint Venture, appears on the "FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid" list at the time of contract award.

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PART 6 - RESULTING CONTRACT CLAUSES

1. Security Requirement

There is no security requirement associated with the requirement.

2. Requirement

The contractor will be required to provide the goods and/or services in accordance with the technical requirements and in the quantities stated in Annex "A"

2.1 SACC Manual Clauses

SACC Reference	Section	Date
B1501C	Electrical Equipment	2006-06-16
B7500C	Excess Goods	2006-06-16

2.2 Optional Goods and/or Services

The Contractor grants to Canada the irrevocable option to acquire an extended warranty, as described at Annex "A" of the Contract, under the same conditions and at the prices and/or rates stated in the Contract. The option may only be exercised by the Contracting Authority and will be evidenced, for administrative purposes only, in whole or in part, through a contract amendment.

The Contracting Authority may exercise the option at any time before the expiry of the Contract by sending a written notice to the Contractor.

3. Standard Clauses and Conditions

All clauses and conditions identified in the Contract by number, date and title are set out in the *Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions Manual*

(<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual>) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

3.1 General Conditions

2010A (2013-04-25), General Conditions - Goods (Medium Complexity), apply to and form part of the Contract.

4. Term of Contract

4.1 Delivery Date

All the deliverables must be received on or before _____ (Delivery as offered and as accepted will be inserted at contract award).

4.2 Option to Extend the Contract

The Contractor grants to Canada the irrevocable option to extend the term of the Contract by up to seven (7) additional one-year periods under the same conditions. The Contractor agrees that, during the extended period of the Contract, it will be paid in accordance with the applicable provisions as set out in the Basis of Payment.

Canada may exercise this option at any time by sending a written notice to the Contractor at least thirty (30) calendar days before the expiry date of the Contract. The option may only be exercised by the Contracting Authority, and will be evidenced for administrative purposes only, through a contract amendment.

5. Authorities

5.1 Contracting Authority

The Contracting Authority for the Contract is:

Benoit Guertin - Supply Specialist

Public Works and Government Services Canada - Acquisitions Branch

Logistics, Electrical, Fuel and Transportation Directorate - "HN" Division

7B3, Place du Portage, Phase III, 11 Laurier Street, Gatineau, QC, K1A 0S5

Telephone: (819) 956-4479 Facsimile: (819) 953-4944

E-mail address: benoit.guertin@pwgsc-tpsgc.gc.ca

The Contracting Authority is responsible for the management of the Contract and any changes to the Contract must be authorized in writing by the Contracting Authority. The Contractor must not perform work in excess of or outside the scope of the Contract based on verbal or written requests or instructions from anybody other than the Contracting Authority.

5.2 Project Authority

The Project Authority for the Contract is:

Name: will be inserted at contract

Telephone: (xxx) xxx-xxxx

Facsimile: (xxx) xxx-xxxx

E-mail: will be inserted at contract

The Project Authority is the representative of the department or agency for whom the Work is being carried out under the Contract and is responsible for all matters concerning the technical content of the Work under the Contract. Technical matters may be discussed with the Project Authority, however the Project Authority has no authority to authorize changes to the scope of the Work. Changes to the scope of the Work can only be made through a contract amendment issued by the Contracting Authority.

5.3 Contractor's Representative

Name and telephone number of the person responsible for:

General Enquiries

Name: will be inserted at contract

Telephone: will be inserted at contract

Facsimile: will be inserted at contract

E-mail: will be inserted at contract

Delivery Follow-up

Name: will be inserted at contract

Telephone: will be inserted at contract

Facsimile: will be inserted at contract

E-mail: will be inserted at contract

6. Payment

6.1 Basis of Payment

In consideration of the Contractor satisfactorily completing all of its obligations under the Contract, the Contractor will be paid a firm price, as specified in Annex "B". Customs duties are included and Goods and Services Tax or Harmonized Sales Tax is extra, if applicable.

Canada will not pay the Contractor for any design changes, modifications or interpretations of the Work, unless they have been approved, in writing, by the Contracting Authority before their incorporation into the Work.

6.2 Limitation of Price

SACC Manual clause C6000C (2011-05-16) Limitation of Price

6.3 SACC Manual Clauses

SACC Reference	Section	Date
G1005C	Insurance	2008-05-12
H1001C	Multiple Payments	2008-05-12

7. Invoicing Instructions

1. The Contractor must submit invoices in accordance with the section entitled "Invoice Submission" of the general conditions. Invoices cannot be submitted until all work identified in the invoice is completed.
2. Invoices must be distributed as follows:
 - (a) The original and one (1) copy must be forwarded to the address shown on page 1 of the Contract for certification and payment.
 - (b) One (1) copy must be forwarded to the Contracting Authority identified under the section entitled "Authorities" of the Contract.

8. Certifications

Compliance with the certifications and related documentation provided by the Contractor in its bid is a condition of the Contract and subject to verification by Canada during the term of the Contract. If the Contractor does not comply with any certification, provide the related documentation or if it is determined that any certification made by the Contractor in its bid is untrue, whether made knowingly or unknowingly, Canada has the right, pursuant to the default provision of the Contract, to terminate the Contract for default.

9. Applicable Laws

The Contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in _____. *(Insert the name of the province or territory as specified by the Bidder in its bid, if applicable)*

10. Priority of Documents

If there is a discrepancy between the wording of any documents that appear on the list, the wording of the document that first appears on the list has priority over the wording of any document that subsequently appears on the list.

- (a) the Articles of Agreement;
- (b) 2010 A (2013-04-25) General Conditions - Goods, Services (Medium Complexity);
- (c) Annex A Requirement;
- (d) Annex B Price
- (e) the Contractor's bid dated _____ *(insert date of bid)* *(If the bid was clarified or amended, insert at the time of contract award: “, as clarified on _____” or “, as amended on _____” and insert date(s) of clarification(s) or amendment(s))*

11. Shipping Instructions - Delivery at Destination

Goods must be consigned to the destination specified in the Contract and delivered:

Delivered Duty Paid (DDP) _____ *(insert the named place of destination)* Incoterms 2000 for shipments from a commercial contractor.

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Annex "A" - Requirement

Requested models

- P/N: DI950 NSCM: Pitney Bowes; or
- P/N: DS-100 NSCM: Neopost Canada; or

Substitute product

- P/N _____ NSCM: _____

Offered P/N _____ NSCM: _____

Operator Training is to take place, on the day of delivery, at:
Place du Portage, Phase I, 50 Victoria, Gatineau, Qc, K1A 0C9

At a minimum, the unit **MUST** have the following:

- Double Detect
- Power Stacker
- Electronic height adjustable table
- Cycle speed: minimum 4500/hour
- Can fold sets in half to up to 8 pages

Each warranty period **MUST** include:

- A service office in the NCR;
- Service within 4 hours of a call;
- Replacement machine will need to be provided if the unit is down more than 3 days;
- If the unit has a reoccurring problem, the machine is to be replaced all together;
- Parts and labour.

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Annex “B” - Pricing

A) Unit Cost: \$ _____
B) Delivery: \$ _____
C) Installation: \$ _____
D) 1-day Operator Training: \$ _____

Total Firm Price: \$ _____
(Sum of A to D)

Warranty Option:

E) Year 1: \$ _____
F) Year 2: \$ _____
G) Year 3: \$ _____
H) Year 4: \$ _____
I) Year 5: \$ _____
J) Year 6: \$ _____
K) Year 7: \$ _____

Evaluation Price: \$ _____
(Sum of A to K)

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