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ADDENDUM #2

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This notice is to advise potential bidders of Addendum #2 to above mentioned Request for Proposal.

This Solicitation Addendum No. 002 is raised to:

1. Address questions raised by interested bidders submitted to date.

Question 1

Our questions relate to the potential for conflict of interest (COI) as *<our company>* is active with many of the major proponent projects (particularly on the engineering side of the house).

- What is the split between power line, pipeline related work and other works?
- On p58 the procedure for managing COI is outlined, however there is very much a likelihood that both successful shortlisted consultants will have a significant COI potential. How is NEB planning to manage this process where both consultants may be conflicted out.

Answer 1

There is no predetermined split between pipeline and power line related work. Call-ups under the standing offer will be driven by the demand work (i.e. Applications filed or spills responded to) carried out by the NEB.

If both contractors have conflicts of interest that cannot be resolved then a call up cannot be awarded.

This situation is unlikely. Only 1 project in the past 8 years has resulted in a situation where all potential bidders were working for the applicant or an intervenor on a given hearing.

It should be noted that working for a NEB regulated company on an unrelated project while working for the NEB on a call-up may not be considered a conflict of interest.

The Board's concern is more around undisclosed or real conflict of interest.

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