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**File Number 23240-120758/E****TITLE: SERVICES OF A CONTRACTOR TO MANAGE THE SITE OPERATING COMPANY THAT WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS OF ATOMIC ENERGY OF CANADA LIMITED'S NUCLEAR LABORATORIES UNDER A GOVERNMENT-OWNED, CONTRACTOR-OPERATED MODEL****THIS IS NOT A SOLICITATION DOCUMENT  
THIS IS A NOTICE****1. Executive Summary**

The Government of Canada (Canada) is intending to procure the services of a contractor to manage the Site Operating Company that will be responsible for the management and operations of what are today known as Atomic Energy of Canada Limited's (AECL's) Nuclear Laboratories under a Government-owned, Contractor-operated (GoCo) model.

The procurement process for this requirement was launched on June 20, 2013 with an Industry Day attended by 110 participants from 55 organizations. The Industry Day served to provide information on the intended procurement process and to answer the more than 80 questions that were raised.

The Industry Day was followed by the issuance of a Request for Information (RFI) on July 19, 2013, that closed on August 23, 2013. As part of the RFI, site visits were offered to both Chalk River and Whiteshell Laboratories. Twenty-one written responses to the RFI provided detailed feedback on many aspects of the procurement, and a further eighteen one-on-one meetings with industry allowed for further engagement with global leaders.

The RFI provided the opportunity for Canada to consider adjustments to the future stages of the procurement process, notably on:

The overall procurement process;

High-level expectations/scope of work; and

Mandatory Technical Qualification criteria.

During the RFI, Canada heard from Industry that, to control the costs to all parties of the procurement process, timelines should be respected. We also heard that Industry needs specific and detailed information to assess the value that the business opportunity presents. In an effort to balance these two needs, and to appropriately take into account other feedback that was provided

through the RFI, Canada is working diligently to refine the process, the information and the documentation. Further information on the timeline, including the anticipated release of the Request for Response Evaluation (RFRE), will be provided shortly.

## **2. Security and Conflict of Interest**

Through the RFI, further clarity was requested by Industry on security requirements associated with future stages of the procurement.

Security sponsorship for future stages of the procurement is ongoing and suppliers are encouraged to refer to the Notice of Security Sponsorship Solicitation No. 23240-120758/B for further information.

It is expected that Canada will include a statement on Conflict of Interest in the future RFRE documents that will contain wording similar to that included in the attachment to this notice titled, "Statement by Canada on Conflict of Interest - Unfair Advantage".

## **3. Enquiries and Further Information**

This notice will serve as a vehicle by which Canada will provide information and answer questions in the interim period leading up to the launch of the RFRE. Updates will be provided as amendments to this notice as needed.

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Please see attached Statement by Canada on Conflict of Interest - Unfair Advantage document.